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Biz group says new state code will hurt mid-sized towns such as Bethel

By ALISON ALOISIO

A statewide building code slated to take effect next year would unfairly single out towns like Bethel and cost its taxpayers more money, according to the president of the Bethel Area Business Association.

LD 2257, approved by the state Legislature last year, adopts a Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code.

It takes effect in 2010 or 2012, depending on circumstances in individual towns.

Details of the code have not yet been worked out.

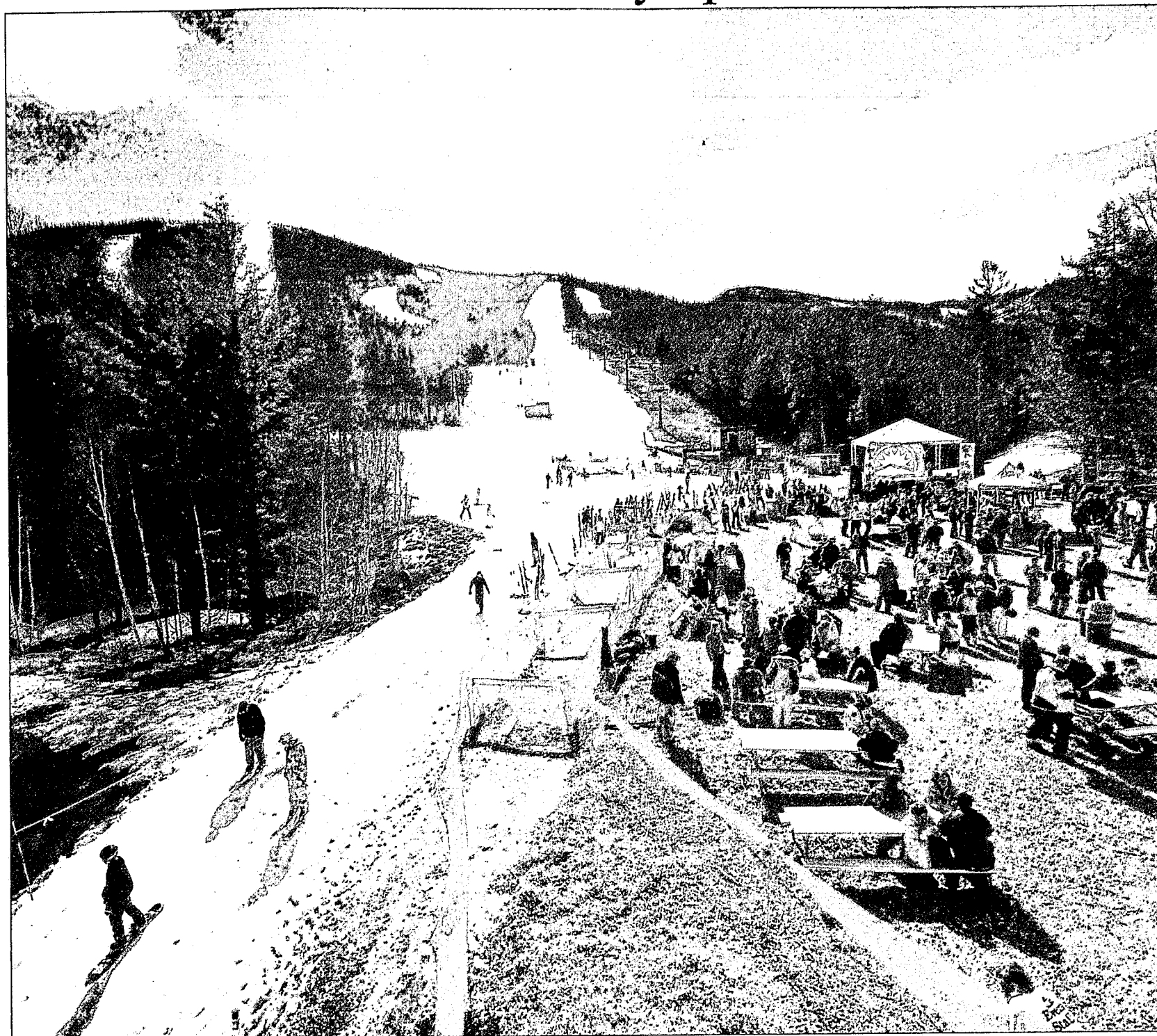
The law's proponents say it provides Maine builders with a predictable code. "Currently, builders are subject to a variety of differing codes, which frequently change at the town line."

"This hodgepodge of codes discourages economic development by creating a complicated system which discourages developers and builders," argues the GrowSmart Maine organization, which supports the law.

And, says another support-

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A1A day up North



Sunday's bright blue-and-white skies, smooth sailing down the slopes, colorful, partying parrot-heads, all to strains of Jimmy Buffett — it could have been Florida's Scenic and Historic Coastal Highway A1A on its way to Key West, or even Buffett's transitional album of that title. Sunday itself was also a transition (too-brief) from the dreary weather that has plagued the area of late (with more on the way). But Sunday River still has 'really good' conditions, across the mountain and expects to be skiing/riding until the end of April, according to Communications Director Darcy Liberty. On Saturday Sunday River will host the first-annual Dumont Cup Pro/Am Jam Competition. The event is named for Bethel skier and half-pipe amplitude champ Simon Dumont. So — "Changes in amplitude, changes in ...?"

(Photo: M. Daniels)

County waste group eyes 'single-sort' trial

By ALISON ALOISIO

Woodstock residents could possibly get a taste of single-sort recycling, selectmen learned Tuesday.

Under a single-sort format, residents place all recyclables in one container at a transfer station, and the items are mechanically sorted later at a waste facility.

The process eliminates the need for residents to separate paper, cans, plastic and other items before depositing them at the station.

Andover, Albany, Stoneham and Watford currently use single sort.

But 18 other towns in Oxford County, including Woodstock, still utilize the Oxford County Regional Solid Waste Corporation in Norway, which handles only pre-sorted recyclables.

Steve Bies, Woodstock's representative on the OCRSW board, told selectmen Tuesday, "We're exploring how single sort fits with ourselves. It isn't compatible with our equipment. If it was going to be our main business, it would be a major transformation. I don't see that happening any time soon."

But, he said, "we are exploring the option of offering to handle the material for a period of time with towns who want to try out single sort."

Under the arrangement, residents would bring their recyclables to the transfer station unsorted. The material would then be transported to OCRSW's Norway facility, baled, and taken to EcoMaine, a single sort facility in the

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Bogus checks prompt W'ford fraud arrest

By DONNA M. PERRY,

Sun Media Wire

A Watford man accused of passing fake checks to get furniture, TVs and appliances is in jail, and four people accused of buying or bartering to get the stolen goods were arrested Friday, police said.

Branden Robert Belanger, 38, of Town Farm Road in Watford was arrested Thursday at a Harrison gas station and convenience store, Farmington police Chief Richard Caton III said. He was taken into custody after Farmington police Detective Marc Bowering and other departments around Franklin County received information from the public, he said.

Arrested at three residence-

es early Friday, Caton said, were: Scott Pinkham, 40, of Phillips, Dennis Ayala, 45, of Wilton, Donald Nemeth, 49, of Chesterville, and Lori A. Savage, 46, of Avon. Each was charged with one count of receiving stolen property and were all released on \$3,000 unsecured bail.

Officers from the Farmington and Wilton police departments, Maine State Police, Maine Drug Enforcement Agency and Franklin County Sheriff's Department executed search warrants at the Franklin County home just after midnight Friday, Caton said.

Seventeen police officers

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Wights set to wrap up groundbreaking careers

By MICHAEL DANIELS

After nearly four decades Steve and Peggy Wight will be leaving the Sunday River Inn and Cross Country Center, a departure they have been anticipating since they put the inn on the market more than three years ago.

The Wights themselves closed on the inn Jan. 2, 1971. The property is now under contract, with a closing date of June 30.

The couple will not be going far; they will retire to their "Red Farm House" a restored 1857 farmstead across the

'Across the country, the inn-based ski center has proven to be the most successful business model, and the Wights were standouts among the generation of hard-working, visionary entrepreneurs who created and perfected the concept.'

SCOTT ANDREWS, *Ski writer and historian*

road. And they plan to stay active in local and state affairs.

Steve has been a Newry selectman since 1975, and served

since 1987 on the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission.

"I say I'm going to move my office across the road and keep doing what I've been doing,

which is saving the world," he said.

"Peggy says she doesn't care what I do as long as I keep going to meetings and stay out of her hair."

'Time to move on'

In the three-plus years the inn has been on the market there have been near-deals, but none reached closure.

"We've had a couple of times when we thought it was going to sell and didn't," Steve said. "but now it's time to retire."

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'Beach to Beacon' runners to give MHS a lift

Maine Handicapped Skiing will be the beneficiary of this year's TD Banknorth Beach to Beacon 10K Road Race.

Newry-based MHS offers a range of winter and summer activities to disabled children and adults across Maine.

"Maine Handicapped Skiing is a well-respected organization with a mission that is a great fit for the race," said Larry

Wold, president of TD Banknorth in Maine. "Through MHS,

Maine children with disabilities are able to participate in and enjoy recreational activities, which are so important. We

are pleased to be able to focus on Maine Handicapped Skiing through the TD Banknorth Beach to Beacon this year."

The TD Charitable Foundation will provide a cash donation of \$30,000 to Maine Handicapped Skiing.

The organization also will benefit from fundraising activities and publicity through its association with one of Maine's premiere sporting events.

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HELP FOR A CLASSMATE
Classmates and friends of Tyler Clough, a third-grader at the Crescent Park Elementary School, are conducting a raffle to raise money for his medical expenses. Tyler has cancer. On Sunday, Maddox Ormiston, Grace Connors, Caroline Finley and Ben Alford sold tickets at the Telstar Jamboree, a concert that raised funds for Tyler and Bryce Walker, a THS senior who also has cancer. The rafflers are offering a painting of Sunday River Ski Resort trails, Red Sox caps with the Sunday River logo on the side, an L.L. Bean fleece and a backpack. Anyone wishing to purchase tickets may call 824-4913. The Telstar Jamboree drew about 150 people and raised \$2,000.

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Letters

AMENDMENT REASONING

To the Editor:

Last week I had the pleasure of attending the Gilead Town Meeting and was impressed by the great attendance as well as the spirited nature of involvement in the process. As correctly reported by the Bethel Citizen I, in my role as a state representative, was asked during the meeting whether the town could amend an article in the town warrant to add \$1,500 to the town tax collector salary for the purpose of creating an assistant position.

As reported in the article, I responded that while the town may allocate the amount they cannot add the new line item (i.e. the new position) without a special town meeting because of the notice requirements. So what that means is the town may allocate and budget the money, but they cannot spend it on the position until a special Town Meeting is called (observing all the proper notice requirements) to create the assistant position.

This process prevents the question from ever becoming "ripe" for litigation because there is no harmed or prejudiced party, but also allows for the will of the citizenry (through a majority vote) to determine the future of their town.

The State of Maine in its Constitution and Statutes recognizes the need for governance by local municipalities. This is evidenced in Title 30-A §3001 (1) (2) where liberal construction is required for the application of statutes limiting a town's authority as well as establishing a presumption of authority for a town's actions. The Maine Moderator's Manual is a great guide, but statutes and legal principles will trump.

Town meetings are a special New England tradition for rural communities as well as the most basic and purest form of democracy. I would like to thank the people of both Gilead and Woodstock for allowing me to be part of this great tradition last week.

Jarrod Crockett
East Bethel

MARCH FOR BABIES

To the Editor:

The Bethel area March of Dimes March for Babies will happen this year on May 3 at 10 a.m. The March of Dimes supports research and programs that help moms have full-term pregnancies and babies begin healthy lives. Your funds are used to bring comfort and information to families whose baby was born too soon, or sick. The local effort has been instrumental in raising funds for babies for 12 years.

Many local children have received assistance through the March of Dimes.

One of our goals this year is to increase awareness and participation. We realize it may be a difficult year to get donations, but the group efforts and team participation will certainly be appreciated. Babies still need our help.

Local teams are being formed according to business affiliations, families, and social groups. You can register your team online at marchforbabies.org, call (800) 668-5678, or contact Claire Carver at 357-3844, Marjorie Osgood at 824-2131, or Ellie Andrews at 824-3539.

We are committed to keeping this walk alive in Bethel. Please help support us by walking on Sunday, May 3. Registration begins at The Bethel Area Health Center at 9:30. The walk is a 4.5-mile route through Bethel Village and a 1-mile Kid's Walk.

MOD Volunteers: Ellie Andrews, Bonnie Largess, Maureen Ginther, Matt Hiebert, Marjorie Osgood, Claire M. Carver

A WONDERFUL COMMUNITY

To the Editor:

What a wonderful community we live in. In the past seven years there have been numerous individuals professional, non-professional, relatives, friends, and group organizations that have helped bring moral and financial support for the members of my family that are in need. The medical, developmental, in-home support, social, law, state, and daycare centers without hesitation provide services even though economic times are hard. People in these communities are pleasant, professional and care. Some may be experiencing hard times themselves.

I am a witness to these benefits, and I cannot tell you how special everyone is. As stated above, individuals and organizations came to assist my family once a rare genetic chromosome syndrome was diagnosed on my son.

Grant funding, Katie Beckett MaineCare coverage, and employee healthcare insurance benefits made the therapeutic services, diagnostic testing and drug costs even possible.

But, in reality, the assistance did so much more than provide financial assistance to a person in need. It provided moral support.

We all go through life not knowing how many lives we touch, then when something like this happens, we are in awe. An infant boy was the recipient of such love and support and even now, seven years later, he still believes in you.

So to all of you, community members, business groups, daycare providers, employers, medical care providers, school district, family and friends know that all you do really does make a difference.

The moral boost that this gives is truly unbelievable. Again, what a wonderful community we live in.

Penny York, a.k.a. 'Mom'
Bethel

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THS THEATRE DEPT. SEEKS DONATIONS

To the Editor:

As you are probably aware, the current climate in the state of Maine, in regard to funding in education, is tenuous to say the least. Most hard hit have been smaller rural schools such as ourselves here in the SAD44 district.

However, you may or may not also be aware that the Telstar Theatre Department has been going through somewhat of a revival over the past few years. Since 2004 there have been productions of a serious nature as well as musical comedies performed in our Helen C. Berry Auditorium to enthusiastic audiences.

Student and community interest and participation has been steadily growing. It has reached the point that our last production, "Little Women" performed in December, was double-cast in order to give all students who showed an interest a chance to perform.

The Administration and the School Board have been supportive evident by the current upgrade of the stage lighting and audio system.

Along with the interest to perform gaining momentum, the desire to put on bigger shows with more substance has been growing as well. We are now looking at Broadway caliber musicals. We are proud to announce we will be performing "Fiddler on the Roof" on May 14, 15, and 16.

I am sure you understand that, by stepping up the quality of shows performed, we have also stepped up the need. The money needed to put on such shows has risen dramatically (no pun intended). We do not charge for admission to our performances but rather request donations at the door. We have taken this approach to ensure our students can showcase their amazing talents and hard work to the fullest house possible. We anticipate this approach may not cover the higher costs associated with our spring production.

If you are interested in putting something back into the community and would like to invest in the lives of our children, I am happy to give you an opportunity to do so.

During the course of the next few weeks the Telstar Theatre Department will be actively seeking donations for our performance of "Fiddler on the Roof."

I am roughly estimating the cost to be in the neighborhood of \$5,000, \$2,000 for the performance rights and scripts, \$1,200 music director, \$500 sets, \$500 wardrobe, \$800 advertising, promotion, programs, miscellaneous items and all the other unplanned things that may appear.

Please take time to consider being a part of this endeavor in whatever way you may see fit. If you would like to contribute to help us meet our performance budget, you may mail a check payable to Telstar High School Theatre Department. Please send any contributions to Telstar Regional High School, 284 Walkers Mills Road, Bethel, ME 04217.

W. Tom Coolidge
Telstar Theatre Department

RULES PROMOTE GREENWOOD'S COMMON GOOD

To the Editor:

In a March 19 letter to the editor concerning the revisions of the Greenwood Land Use Ordinance, the writer made the accusation that a group of Greenwood citizens was using the Greenwood Comprehensive Plan as a guise to further their own agenda. In making his case he pointed out that many years ago camps and houses were starting to be built on the lakes in greater numbers. Prior to that time the lakes were often used for industrial (powering mills) and food (fishing, hunting, trapping) rather than recreational purposes.

It was not unusual for these early structures to have substandard plumbing that had an adverse impact on the lakes. The writer correctly pointed out that now, thanks to an encompassing Shoreland Zoning Ordinance, owners of lakefront property are strictly regulated as to what they can build on their land. This is done for the common good since many people besides lakefront owners enjoy the pristine lakes of Greenwood.

In more recent years the ownership of the mountains and ridgelines has been transitioning from lumber and paper companies to individuals and developers with some seeking to make a profit by building housing "with a view" at the higher elevations. It is known that mountain-side and ridgeline housing developments, along with imprudent logging, have an adverse effect on the watershed and can also negatively impact the water quality of adjacent lakes. In addition while they may offer a view for the individual owner, that structure in the mountains negatively impacts the view for multiple people in the surrounds below. What used to be a green forest and colorful foliage has the potential of being replaced with multi-colored structures, a scarcity of trees, and bright yard lights at night.

Using the writer's logic it seems both wise and progressive that the town of Greenwood address this looming problem of mountainside and ridgeline housing before it proliferates. If we learned anything from the shoreland housing experience, it is much better to do this before the problem is created rather than playing "catch-up." Many other progressive New England towns are working on land use ordinances also.

It is my understanding that the Greenwood Comprehensive Plan was adopted by voting residents of Greenwood as an expression of what they liked about Greenwood and what they wanted it to look like in the future. In the plan the residents say they enjoy the physical beauty of scenic views, dark night skies, clean tranquil waters and large areas of forestland and that they would like to maintain these in the future. The comprehensive plan is supposed to serve as a guide in forming enforceable ordinances. A strict but fair land use ordinance for Greenwood and the common good will help insure the Greenwood of the future that the residents desire just as the Shoreland Zoning Ordinance has done.

The writer said a "select group of Greenwood residents have decided under the guise of state mandated comprehensive planning to push their particular special interests." Nothing could be further from the truth. The group wants to promote the common good through the adoption of a progressive land use ordinance.

Kathleen Donovan
Greenwood property owner and taxpayer

IN SUPPORT OF MUTUAL APPRECIATION

To the Editor:

Having had the pleasure of working with some area businesses recently, I would like to commend their enthusiasm in supporting, presenting, and promoting local musicians.

Throughout the winter months, Sunday River Brewing Company hosted a number of Saturday afternoons featuring local musicians as part of their après ski entertainment. The 3 to 8 p.m. time slot was filled with five different acts, changing each hour and providing listeners with a variety of performers throughout an afternoon. It appeared that audiences appreciated the talent, and the local musicians in turn, "appreciated being appreciated." So, many thanks to Sunday River Brewing Company for the tremendous support.

In thinking about it, I must also thank the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce, as it was their featuring local talent during the Harvest Fest last fall that actually sparked the idea to promote locals at the Brew Pub. Manager Jon Ochtera and owner Grant Wilson had provided some of their tasty chowder for the Fest, and while there they noticed the locals performing and later felt something like that might work at the Brew Pub.

Also, I'd like to commend the Bethel Inn for recently hosting Rosie the Irreverent, a comedy performance created and performed by Leah Bonnema who, as many of you know, grew up here in Bethel. Although she now lives and nurtures her talent in NYC, she wanted to do a performance in her hometown and the Bethel Inn welcomed the opportunity to host it. So, many thanks to the Bethel Inn.

While I'm at it, I would also like to commend Barry and Brooke Hallett and the Funky Red Barn for their continued strong support of local talent. In the past they hosted Sunday afternoon blues jams that featured local musicians, and recently opened their doors and provided delicious food for a meeting of the newly formulated Bethel Performing Arts Project. The Funky Red Barn also seems to often be a venue that hosts the many needed benefits in our community. So, continued thanks always to Brooke, Barry and "the girls" for such great local support.

In addition, appreciation and kudos are extended to the Mahoosuc Mountain Lodge in Newry for their enthusiasm in featuring local talent during their coffee house type performances; and last but certainly not least, I also commend the Suds Pub for their years of hosting Thursday "Hoot Nights." Thank you Suds Pub, you've been encouraging the locals for many years now.

As I mentioned during the Evening of Melody performance last spring, there are an astounding amount of talented performers in our area, and it's really nice to see them being encouraged and respected. Many of you got a taste of just a fraction of the community musicians this past Sunday afternoon during the Telstar Jamboree, an afternoon of music arranged by Kevin O'Reilly and the Telstar Middle School as a benefit for students Tyler Clough and Bryce Walker. Thanks to all of you who attended this extremely worthwhile event. I hope you enjoyed the show and perhaps witnessed some talent you'd not yet experienced.

I'll finally conclude with saying I continue to feel we're fortunate to live amidst such a tremendous wealth of creativity — and not just musicians but artists of all types. So, here's to local talent, and here's to all of you who support it — may the mutual appreciation continue.

Jewel Clark
Bethel

MLT LOCAL KNOWLEDGE — APPLES

To the Editor:

For its final Local Knowledge program of the season, the Mahoosuc Land Trust will present John P. Bunker, Jr., speaking on the "Apples of Maine" in the Trustees' Auditorium, McLaughlin Science Building at Gould Academy on Wednesday, April 15 at 7 p.m.

Most of us are familiar with Baldwin, McIntosh and Northern Spy apples, but what about Black Oxford, or the Chenango Strawberry? Bunker will discuss these and other varieties sharing information gathered during more than 30 years of research and discovery as a pomologist.

Having spent his boyhood in Concord, Mass., Bunker graduated from Colby College and moved to Palermo, Maine in 1972. In 2007, he published "Not Far From the Tree," which he calls a brief history of the apples and orchards of Palermo from 1804 to 2004. A book sale/signing will follow his presentation.

The Mahoosuc Land Trust is pleased to offer the Local Knowledge series free of charge. Please join us for what promises to be a fascinating evening on April 15.

Frank A. Vogt
For the Mahoosuc Land Trust

Our Back Pages

Compiled by Danna Brown Nickerson
10 years ago: An early morning fire destroyed the house belonging to Esther Brooks on Rowe Hill, Greenwood.

The Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce received an award for excellence in a special event from the Governor's Conference on Tourism for "Angus, King of the Mountain."

Dr. Mason's office was applying sealant to the teeth of area second-graders thanks to a grant received in cooperation with the Maine Oral Health Program.

Births: Zachary Taylor Lynch, Daniel Irving Thompson, Jr.

Death: Mary B. Bennett.

20 years ago: The third in a series of minor earthquakes rumbled through the area. The tremor measured 3.5 on the Richter scale and was centered 5 miles north of Berlin, N.H.

The Woodstock Building Committee presented preliminary plans for a new town garage to the planning board.

Local rock and roll band "Sky Frontier," composed of Ted and Conni St. Pierre, Bill Harper and Jewel Clark, performed a concert to benefit Telstar's Class of 1989.

Birth: James Albert Whitman.

Death: Joseph O. Ring, Jr.

30 years ago: The Webelos Den of Cub Scout Pack 566 visited the Bethel Town Office, the Airport and the Library while working on their Citizen Badge.

The Albany correspondent reported six inches of heavy, wet snow.

Bethel summer resident Edward H. Hastings, Academic Dean of Curry College, was appointed Acting President of the college.

Deaths: Hollis N. Grindle, Mrs. Eva R. Roberts, Paul F. Shaw, Harry F. Dunn.

40 years ago: A large elm at the corner of Main and Broad streets was removed by the Sunday River Tree Service crew, assisted by an aerial crane from the Lucas company.

Airport manager Robert Lowell requested that automobiles and horses be kept off the landing strip.

The Special Education Class at Crescent Park School visited the Hastings Farm at East Bethel.

Births: Stephen Walter Haney, Donald James Chase.

Deaths: Clinton J. Beck, Mrs. Achille Poulin, Frank P. Chapman.

50 years ago: Mrs. Ethel Bisbee broke her wrist in a fall at the Primary School.

Two garages, a 1943 sedan, and a motor boat were destroyed in a fire on the Gore Road, Woodstock, property of Robert Day.

Substantial progress was showing in the work on converting the former Bethel Theater to a motel.

Birth: Brent Alvin Swan.

Deaths: Mrs. Edward E. Bennett, Archie Donald Cameron, Mrs. Fritz J. Tyler.

60 years ago: The Bethel Players presented the comedy "The Male Animal." Mrs. Isaac W. Dyer directed the play assisted by Mrs. Addison Saunders.

Bear River Grange was preparing for its annual Sugar Eat and Dance.

Margaret Joy Tibbetts was attending the third regular session of the United Nations as an advisor to the United States delegation.

Deaths: Zenas Wheeler Mills, Harvey E. Powers.

70 years ago: A second fire escape was added to Odeon Hall on the side of the building toward the Elmer Young property.

Elmer Allen was making extensive repairs on the building formerly occupied by Sadie's Food Shoppe.

Death: Mrs. Mary Chaplin.

80 years ago: Myron Bryant took over the operation of Bryant's Market succeeding his father, W. C. Bryant.

100 years: Alder River Grange 145 in East Bethel conferred the first and second degrees. All those in attendance enjoyed the new furniture recently purchased by the Grange.

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Waste

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Portland area, Bies said. "It would allow towns to give it a try without committing to buying their own [single sort] compactor and leaving us," he said. "Those would be irreversible things. There might be the option of having us handle single sort for a limited time, to see if it works for you and see if it works for us."

Bies stressed any discussion by the OCSW board about the offer is very preliminary.

Selectman Rick Young favored such a move. "I think it's a good idea. That's the coming thing," he said.

Ron Deegan agreed. "[Single sort] has a lot of advantages," he said. "It reduces the carbon footprint in the world, but it still makes it easier for the taxpayers."

Bies said the OCSW board would discuss the option further before holding serious talks with any member towns. Bies also sounded cautionary notes about single sort.

"We wouldn't be a voting member of EcoMaine [a single-sort facility]," he said.

And, said Bies, single sort has some drawbacks.

"It degrades the product. Things like glass cannot be extracted from paper, and so the paper products are worth less," he said. "And I would be concerned long term if you're using a plant to sort. That's energy intensive and energy is going to cost more as time goes on. Right now it's labor intensive. Citizens do the sorting. I think on a long-term ba-

sis that makes more sense."

He also said once a change to single sort is made, changing back for any reason is very difficult, because sorting habits are hard to re-establish.

Bies also asked selectmen to keep him informed if they seriously consider changing to a single sort facility.

"If you get close please keep in touch with us," he said. "We understand that people make decisions that are different from our own interests, but recognize that you've invested 20 years in this. An awful lot of equipment there was bought, in part, by Woodstock money, and you ought to be really sure if you're going to move on from there, and leave it."

Selectmen assured him there would be no quick decisions.

"I would think if you made a decision like that it would be at Town Meeting," said Bruce Korhonen. "The process would be quite lengthy and quite in depth to make sure that it's something we wanted to do."

Woodstock is a partner with Greenwood in the G&W Transfer Station, located in Greenwood.

Woodstock Town Manager Vern Maxfield said Wednesday that selectmen have been contemplating "some kind of change" regarding solid-waste disposal, "whether changing along with Greenwood or going on our own," he said. "I think the Woodstock board feels there are better ways to deal with waste."

MERRILL HILL ESTATES THE CROWN JEWEL OF SUNDAY RIVER

Good Morning! This is your wake up call from Merrill Hill Estates... Your invitation to start planning your dream home. The general architectural theme and style is best described as a mix between the Grand National Park Lodges "Parkitecture" and smaller scale Adirondack Camps and New England Cottages of the Eastern U.S. Every frontier has a leader and already these "hybrid" mixed media designs are blending with the natural elements on Morganite Way. Roadwork continued through the winter, underground power and fiber optics are in place and the Gatehouse is scheduled for completion as weather permits the mason's final touch. If you would like to jump start the process our number one Preferred Builder, Mountain Homes of the West has a luxury hybrid with emphasis on green building far enough along that if you act now you could be involved with custom finishes. This home is due to be completed spring or early summer and is listed For Sale with Sally Harkins at Mahoosuc Realty who sold this homesite. Nestled in the heart of Sunday River this is your opportunity to find peace and pleasure in a gated neighborhood on 460 acres committed to nature with world-class amenities at every turn.



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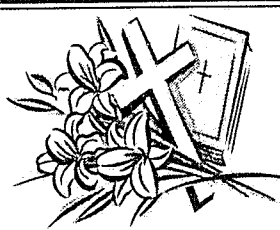
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Letters

JAMBOREE BENEFIT THANKS

To the Editor:

I would like to thank all the people who helped me organize the Telstar Jamboree Benefit Concert for Bryce Walker and Tyler Clough. Conni St. Pierre did an excellent job making posters and Matty Leach helped get the word out on the Sunday River channel. Even though this was not a school-sponsored event I was glad to see involvement from a number of school organizations. Valerie Forman and her Publishing class was instrumental in getting press releases out, and Doug Bennett and the Telstar High School student council helped to put up posters, sell tickets and provide food for the entertainers. Jen Bennett was kind enough to lend her classroom as a green room for the performers and Lori Davis, Lenny Hoy and the Telstar Middle School sixth-grade class made the snacks that were on sale during intermission. Wayne Howe and his crew taped the event for Channel 11 and James Piccirillo volunteered his time to work on lighting for the concert. I can't forget Dan Hart, Charlie Raymond, Sandy Schroeder, and Cindy Moxey for their advice and help with dealing with all the details of the concert.

Thanks go to Dave Rowe who also provided sound for the event, Ross Timberlake, Rolly York, Jewel Clark who also served as the MC, Donnie Katlin, Amy Green, Wendy Green, Doug Alford, Laurin Parker, Tom Coolidge, Melissa Prescott, Michael Prescott, Lazarus, and of course, those sixth-grade sensations, Myth! I have received many compliments about the variety of music that was played as well as the quality. There are many outstanding musicians in this community and it was a pleasure to be able to play with a number of them Sunday.

Finally, I need to thank again the community members who came out to hear the music. You gave generously to help these students. I am especially grateful to the people who donated money above and beyond the admission fee as well as people who sent checks because they could not attend. Your contributions made this concert a success!

Thanks again for the help.

Kevin O'Reilly
Chair, Telstar Jamboree Benefit Concert

ST. NEVER'S DAY SALE DONATIONS

To the Editor:

Once again the Bethel Historical Society will hold its annual St. Never's Day sale on Saturday, May 23, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on my side lawn at the corner of Broad and Mason streets. Items in good condition are being sought for the sale and can range from furniture to housewares to tools. Please no clothing, tires or computer equipment, but almost everything else will greatly assist the cause of raising operating funds for the society.

Items for the sale may be left on the side porch at my house at 18 Broad Street (directly across from the main entrance to the Bethel Inn) or on the back porch of the O'Neil Robinson House at 10 Broad Street (just beyond the Bethel Library).

As spring seems to be progressing well and spring house cleaning may be what a number of people are doing during this season, any unwanted items that fall within the above suggestions will be gratefully accepted. If items need to be picked up, please call the society office at 824-2908 or my house at 824-2291 to make arrangements. Thanks to everyone in advance for any generosity that may be extended to the society for this sale.

Stan Howe
Bethel

THANK YOU, SUNDAY RIVER

To the Editor:

Sunday River has reason to be proud of the accomplishments this ski and snowboarding season. Your area provided a great platform for recent outstanding competitions.

With the LG FIS Snowboarding World Cup, Sunday River showed a strong commitment to create a world-class event without missing a beat as a newcomer in producing World Cups. The event was equal to the best on tour.

Superior hospitality made for a special atmosphere that was friendly, passionate and excited to help in any way. The weather challenges throughout the week were no match for the organizing committee who delivered in tough conditions. Athletes commented on the great courses and The Visa Snowboardcross Cup was an epic showing with huge crowds cheering on local hero Seth Wescott.

In addition, Sunday River is a long-standing cornerstone of the NorAm series. This year did not disappoint as Sunday River again produced one of the best weeks in alpine ski racing.

On behalf of the athletes from the U.S. Ski Team and U.S. Snowboarding, as well as teams around the world, thank you to Sunday River and the community for an extraordinary partnership and welcoming us to your great resort.

Bill Marolt, President; Margo Christiansen, Communications Manager
U.S. Ski and Snowboard Association, Park City, Utah

HELP WRITE THE HISTORY OF SUNDAY RIVER VALLEY

To the Editor:

You are invited to join the fray, submit a story, tell a joke (on you or your friends) or reveal a secret about life in the Sunday River valley. A project is underway to produce a new, hopefully interesting and brief history of life in the Sunday River valley from the dawn of time right up to this minute. Bethel, Newry and Riley Township all own a piece of the river.

The aim is to paint a picture, not fill a book with a lot of boring details. Personal stories, family heirlooms that could be photographed and photos from you will help us put the "T" into the interest of this tale. A dozen contributors have already done their part (and may get asked for more). There are empty pages looking for stories about logging, fishing, farming, hunting, school, camping, family stories that were passed on to you. Did any family secrets make into Sunday River news? Do you know who came up with the name, Frenchman's Hole? Have you had a bear break into your shed or house?

To see what has been collected so far go to: www.thebetheljournals.info/Sunday_river/Home. There are three people waiting to take your call or read your e-mails. Steve Wight at 824-0488 or e-mail to swight@sundayriverinn.com, Randy Bennett at 824-2908 or e-mail at library@bethelhistorical.org; Don Bennett at 824-2094 (after May 4) or e-mail at Donald@thebetheljournals.info.

Donald G Bennett
Orlando, Fla.

BORROWING BIG FROM CHINA

To the Editor:

Marge and I recently attended a seminar on "debt free" living. The program was Christian based and the principles taught by the leader were scriptural. As I contemplated the scripture he referenced, I couldn't help but think of our nation's present economic condition and the direction in which we are going.

Deuteronomy 15:6 — for the Lord thy God blesseth thee, as he promised thee. And thou shalt lend unto many nations, but thou shalt not borrow; and thou shalt reign over many nations, but they shall not reign over thee.

Deuteronomy 28:12 — The Lord shall open unto thee his good treasure, the heaven to give the rain unto thy land in its season and to bless all the work of thine hand; and thou shalt lend unto many nations, and thou shalt not borrow.

Proverb 22:7 — The rich ruleth over the poor, and the borrower is servant to the lender. In the referenced scripture God was instructing His people. This instruction applies to God's people today just as it did when God gave it to Moses. I believe that the United States of America was divinely established to be a force of good in this world. Without divine intervention George Washington's forces could not have prevailed over the well-trained and disciplined armies of England. It was only by the grace of God that he prevailed and won our independence.

And, then a group of men, we refer to them as our Founding Fathers, got together and developed a unique document we call the Constitution. There was nothing like it for them to plagiarize, it is a single, one of a kind document. Where did the wisdom displayed in the creation of this document come from? Well, the scriptures tell us that all wisdom comes from God.

The United States has been known as a Christian Nation throughout the world from its beginning. Only in the past few years has it been politically incorrect to call it so. But, if one studies our history there is only one conclusion that one can reach: the United States was established on Biblical principles and has become the greatest nation ever. It would be a big mistake to turn away from those principles that have brought us this far.

The buzzword in our nation's capital right now is "change" and without a doubt change is needed. But, if we continue in the direction in which we are presently going, we will become a servant to China from whom we are borrowing huge sums of money in order to fund the massive spending proposed by our government. I don't believe that is the "change" that we were hoping would result from the recent election.

Jim Murphy
Bethel

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Citizen welcomes letters to the editor. We hope our readers will regard the newspaper as a public forum for discussing any topic they believe to be of interest to the community.

Insofar as possible, we attempt to publish letters without alteration, but we do reserve the right to edit for length, libel, taste and readability. When writing, please include your full name, signature, address and telephone number (so that we may verify authorship).

The deadline for letters to the editor is 4:30 p.m. Monday. Letters submitted after that deadline will be considered for publication when circumstances permit.

Send your letters to: Editor, Bethel Citizen, PO Box 109, Bethel, ME 04217-0109. Fax: 824-2426. E-mail: news@bethelcitizen.com.

The Way I See It

by Sharon Bouchard

Did you know that Easter, considered the most holy day within the Christian faith, actually existed long before the formation of Christianity?

It was originally a pagan celebration to honor Eostre, the goddess of spring and offspring. Just how the ancient Saxon celebration evolved into the Christian holiday of Easter is a long and somewhat convoluted story that I will not go into at this time.

I only mention the celebration of the goddess Eostre because some parts of that festival are still with us today even though they have changed quite a bit over the centuries.

The Easter Bunny is a white hare and the white hare was the earthly symbol of Eostre. The Easter hare story came to the United States with the immigration of the Germans in the 1700 and 1800 hundreds and eventually morphed into Peter Cotton Tail, bringing every girl and boy baskets full of Easter joy.

And Peter Cotton Tail is my earliest Easter memory. Waking up to find a basket full of candy eggs and chocolate bunnies next to your bed is just not something one forgets. And being allowed to eat some of that candy before breakfast has burned that memory into my brain forever.

I think the Easter Bunny suffered from some nutritional guilt because there was always at least one piece of fruit in my basket just as Santa Claus always left some fruit in my Christmas stocking. However, the fruit was not the first thing I went for on either of those holidays.

I would manage to devour the ears of the chocolate bunny before I even made it

out of bed. And by the time I made it to the kitchen my hands and face would be smeared with chocolate and there would be a trail of artificial grass from my bedroom to the kitchen table.

I went home and consumed a very large, solid milk-chocolate bunny and then cried.

A major scrubbing had to take place before I could put on my pretty Easter dress and patent leather Mary Janes.

I don't eat the chocolate bunnies anymore, but I do still like to dress up for church on Easter Sunday. This is another custom that came from the festival of Eostre. The Saxons put on their very best clothing to partake in this celebration.

My Easter dresses were usually hand-me-downs from a cousin, but to me they were beautiful. It was also a time I got to wear a petticoat and I thought I was quite something even though I probably still had a certain amount of chocolate under my finger nails.

When I was 13 a relative made me an outfit, which was my first form of grown-up clothing. It was also the first time I was allowed to wear high heels, which were only 1" pumps, but to me I was standing high and pretty darn sophisticated. I also had a cute little Easter hat that I bought with my own money at J. J. Newberry's. I thought

I looked like I stepped right out of the pages of a fashion magazine.

It must have been a fairly warm Easter that year because I didn't have to wear a coat and cover up my beautiful outfit. I was very grateful about that.

As I wobbled my way to church that morning on my brand new high heels a gust of wind came up just as I was passing by a stream across from the church. The wind took my cute little hat and deposited it on the bank of the stream, which was several feet below street level.

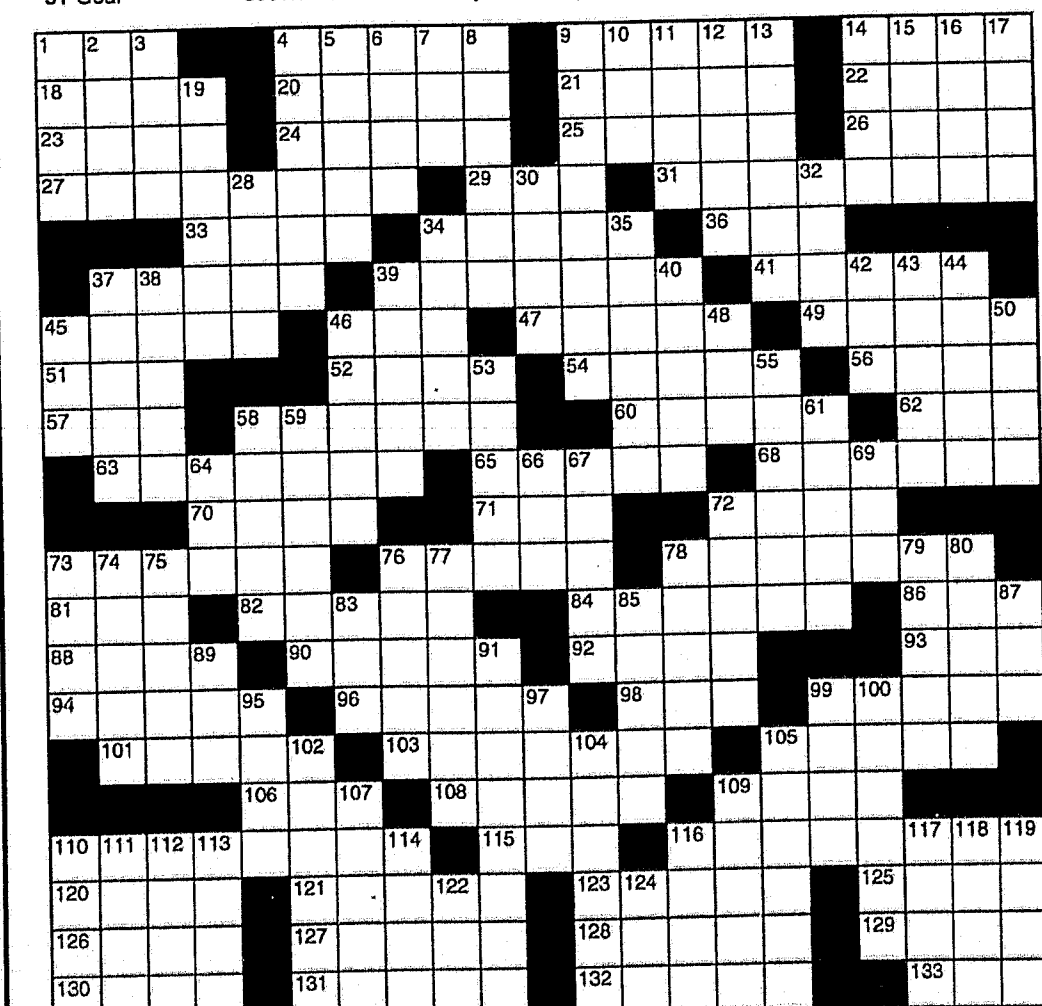
I had no choice but to trudge down the bank to retrieve my cute little hat. This was not as easy as I thought in my brand new high heels and I fell. Fortunately, I didn't land in the water and I did get my cute little hat, but I arrived at church with a torn skirt, snagged nylons covered with burrs and a broken heel.

Needless to say my entrance into the church was not quite as grand as I had hoped. And on top of that a boy I had a crush on spent the entire sermon pointing at me and laughing.

I went home and consumed a very large, solid milk-chocolate bunny and then cried. I think that was the beginning of my relationship with chocolate as a comfort food.

Before I went off on stories of Easter's past, I was attempting to point out some customs that have survived for thousands of years. I do hope that you celebrate some of them and whether you dress up for church or spend some time nibbling on chocolate bunnies or little peeps I hope you have a wonderful day.

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- 1 Brimless hat
4 Entertain or Erate?
9 Trophy or city district?
14 Be an accomplice or wagger?
18 Silly solo element
20 Chemical element
21 Less adorned
22 O'Hara homestead
23 Minus
24 Doll
25 Marsh bird
26 Ken of "thirtysomething"
27 Waterfalls
29 Furrow
31 Emotionally arduous
33 Spouses no more
34 — colla
36 Peculiar
37 De Mille or Moorehead
39 Be in a pageant
41 George of "Just Shoot Me"
45 Thickens
46 "— is mel"
47 Fish for a dish
49 Shady spot
51 Goal
- 52 Simple
54 "Got — You Into My Life" ('66 song)
56 Figure of interest?
57 Mao — -tung
58 Land or beacon?
60 Mead's milieu
62 Canonized Milie
63 Eulogy
65 At — for words
68 Result
70 It really smells
71 Spoil
72 Rent —
73 Morsel for Dumbo
76 Error
78 Obsolete title
81 Lend an — (listen)
82 Schlipa or Bergonzi
84 Quantity or steed?
86 Cry of discovery
88 Particle
90 Automaton
92 French couturier
93 Soho snack
94 Vamish ingredient
96 Fall decoration
- 98 Creepy Christopher
99 Jeweler's weight
101 Link
103 Looked like Hook?
105 Planned a burglary
106 Uh-uh
108 Yorkshire features
109 David's instrument
110 Cavorts in the pool
115 Make lace
116 Treas-lo-be
120 Pub orders
121 Cover story?
123 Fuming
125 Authentic
126 Barrell or Jaffe
127 Romeo and Juliet
128 Neighbor of Mail
129 Actress Faines
130 Perched on or toy?
131 Make amends or pitch?
132 Collect or religious service?
133 Drink like a dachshund
- 3 TV's "Our — Brooks"
4 Dwells
5 Ways
6 "Topaz" author
7 — Canals
8 Main course
9 Like some art
10 Pale
11 Like 102
12 Printer's proof
13 Expects the worst
14 Like — of bricks
15 Part of Indonesia
16 "— go brag!"
17 Sharp taste
19 Upward movement or aroma?
28 Fires
30 Poetic pots
32 Concept
34 Choppers
35 Opposite or hybrid?
37 Tilted or roster?
38 Private Pyle
39 Moulin —
40 Forum
42 Growl sound
43 Embarrass or big party?
- 44 Government game
45 Purfect pet?
46 Singer Barry
48 Rep. rival
50 "— Petite" ('57 song)
53 Put one's foot down
55 Big-billed bird
58 Concerning or match?
59 Sheen
61 Separately or role?
64 Hostelry
66 — Cruces, NM
67 Mountain nymph
69 — Lanka
72 Blue hue
73 Composite component
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75 Stood up or flower?
76 Rock's Los
77 Approxi- mately or boxing division?
78 Acted like a dove
79 — Dame
80 In front of or leader?
83 Eggy beverage
85 Jazzman Davis
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91 Essay's big brother
95 "— on the Run" ('90 film)
97 Walter — Mare
99 Composer Off
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102 North African feature
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112 Carson's successor
113 PDQ, politely
114 Farm building
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117 '94 Jodie Foster film
118 Extrava- ganza
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Code

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er, Environment Northeast, the law closes a residential energy code loophole.

"Until now, Maine was one of only three states east of the Mississippi River without a mandatory statewide energy efficient code for new residential construction," EN wrote.

But the new code will apply only to towns with a population of more than 2,000.

Bethel has approximately 2,500 inhabitants.

What the new code means for Bethel are higher costs to the town for building inspections, according to Dennis Doyon, president of the Bethel Area Business Association and a town selectman.

It will also mean higher costs for people who want to build a house, he said, and will complicate the procedure for prospective do-it-yourself homeowners.

Doyon said he objects to the law fundamentally, because he sees it as overregulation.

But if it must be implemented, he said, "don't pick on certain areas. If you're calling it statewide, make it statewide."

Doyon said possible new requirements include fire sprinkler systems, insulated basements, and strict radon mitigation steps.

As a new house goes up, or an addition to an existing one goes on, he said, multiple inspections will be required, potentially costing both the town and the homeowner more money.

Bethel's town code currently requires inspection of the septic system, plumbing, and fire safety and structural features in a new home.

Easier to build in smaller towns?

The new code could drive people to surrounding smaller towns to build at a lower cost, Doyon said.

"There are more and larger homes being built in Newry

that this would not apply to," said Doyon.

He estimated that the added construction specifications and inspections could raise the cost of building a 1,500-square-foot home in Bethel by \$15,000 to \$20,000.

"If I'm a landowner in Bethel, my land is going to be worth less," said Doyon.

Another consequence, he said, could be more "sprawl," as homebuilding spreads out from more populated towns.

Doyon also questions another argument in favor of the new code.

GrowSmart Maine said that the code will simplify downtown commercial revitalization projects by providing consistency.

Doyon agreed, but said in the larger picture, "this law is riddled with inconsistencies," because it will magnify code differences across the state.

"We'll have all different building codes applying," he said.

Crockett's bill killed

The BABA is so concerned about the law that the organization approached state Rep. Jarrod Crockett (R-Bethel) to sponsor a bill this year that would exempt all residential construction from the code.

Crockett introduced that bill (LD440), and last week amended it to apply to towns with populations under 5,000.

But the amendment was quickly killed in a unanimous vote by the Business Research and Economic Development Committee, Crockett said.

He may bring it back next year.

The bill's purpose was to provide "a stay of execution so we could conserve rural resources until the details [of the code] are ironed out," Crockett said Monday.

Depending on what those details look like, he said, his bill may be resubmitted.

Wights

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time to do something different.

"It's been a great place to be. We raised our family here and had a great time with it," he said, "but it's time to move on."

With final terms of the pending sale still being worked out, the Wights declined to identify the new owners, an investment group, or comment on what specific plans they might have for the property.

But, Steve said, "They seem to be everything we could hope for in terms of what they want to do."

"One thing they keep saying (and I don't think it's just

for our benefit) is that they want to be community players. They're thrilled that the Maine Handicapped ski operation (Nordic and cross-country) is here," Steve said.

"And they want to form a nonprofit that benefits local kids and helps get them into ski programs they might not otherwise be able to get involved in."

X-C's inn-based archetype

Scott Andrews, a researcher, writer and historian with the Ski Museum of Maine, notes that the Wights created the state's first inn-based center, only a few years after Johannes von Trapp established

a Nordic ski center at the Trapp Family Lodge in Stowe, Vt.

The Wights' center prospered with the incredible growth of cross-country in the mid to late 1970s," Andrews noted, and their operation "represents the archetype of its ilk both nationally and in Maine."

"Across the country, the inn-based ski center has proven to be the most successful business model," Andrews said, "and the Wights were standout among the generation of hard-working, visionary entrepreneurs who created and perfected the concept."

Fraud

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recovered thousands of dollars worth of items, including kitchen tables and chairs, and other furniture, flat screen televisions, a refrigerator, gas kitchen stove, sectional couches and two dog beds bought with counterfeit checks, Caton said.

Caton said the four Franklin County residents charged either bartered or paid cash for the items they knew were obtained by deceptive means.

Belanger faces multiple forgery and theft charges for buying thousands of dollars worth of items with computer-generated counterfeit checks with completely false routing and account numbers, Franklin County Assistant District Attorney James Andrews told Justice Michaela Murphy in Farmington District Court on Friday.

Belanger was there for arraignment on two misdemeanor charges of forgery and theft by deception related to a chain saw bought with a bogus check at Labonville in Farmington on Jan. 26, Andrews said.

"This kind of represents the tip of the iceberg of Mr. Belanger's actions," Andrews said.

MHS

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The TD Banknorth Beach to Beacon 10K Road Race is set for Saturday, Aug. 1 along the coastline in Cape Elizabeth.

This year will be the 12th running of the race, which has established itself as one of the most popular events on the U.S. road race circuit, drawing a field of 6,000 runners from throughout the region and the world.

"Maine Handicapped Ski-

ing is both honored and excited to have been chosen as the beneficiary of the 2009 TD Banknorth Beach to Beacon," said Betsy Doyon, executive director of Maine Handicapped Skiing.

"MHS has a long history of getting children with physical disabilities outdoors and active through a variety of sports summer and winter. We thank TD Banknorth for

its support and for believing in what MHS does for its participants."

MHS offers a range of winter and summer activities to disabled children and adults across Maine.

The TD Banknorth Beach to Beacon begins near the Crescent Beach entrance on Route 77 in Cape Elizabeth and ends at the historic Portland Head Light at Fort Williams Park.



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Concord Pond Road closed

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An Announcement from
Cheri Thurston, Julia Young
and Margie Finley



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Julia Young
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Margie Finley
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With great excitement, we announce that on April 14, 2009, Margie Finley, Julia Young and Cheri Thurston are joining the Sunday River Real Estate team.

Over the last five years, we have built our company into one of the largest real estate agencies in the area - consistently ranked among the top three for sales volume, year after year. While looking at how to build on our success, Sunday River was celebrating their own and unveiling long-term plans that included the expansion of their real estate division while strengthening their connection to the community. Recognizing each other's success and goals as mutually beneficial, we saw a union between us and the resort as an incredible opportunity. By joining Sunday River Real Estate, we are now positioned to lead the region and help drive the growth of the resort while continuing to serve the Bethel area real estate market.

We would like to thank our clients, friends and the community for your support over the years and we look forward to continuing to work with you for years to come.

Beginning April 14, 2009, we will be located at the Sunday River Real Estate offices at 15 South Ridge Road in Newry. Please feel free to call us at 207.824.5051.

Margie Finley, Julia Young & Cheri Thurston



Easter Brunch Buffet

11:00-2:00 pm on Easter Sunday



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UPCOMING EVENTS

BEER TASTING DINNER May 1

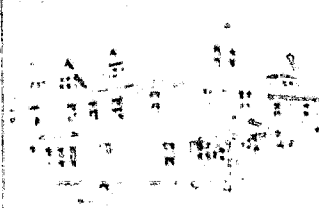
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Cheddar Jack cheese, Canadian bacon, mushrooms, onions

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From the Bethel Police Log:

Tuesday, April 7

At 6:38 p.m. Officer George Gould responded to the intersection of the East Bethel and Intervale roads for a report of a structure fire. On arrival the officer learned from a Fire Department member that the fire had been contained by the owner.

At 11:54 p.m. Officer Bill Britting responded to Route 26 with a state trooper for a vehicle crash. The BPD officer searched the vehicle and did a report, while the subject was arrested by the trooper for OUI.

Monday, April 6

At 4 p.m. a complainant brought mail to the BPD that had been left in four trash bags in a gravel pit on Route 232. Lt. S.R. White tracked down the mail's owner and summonsed for littering a juvenile subject who said he had dumped the trash.

Sunday, April 5

At 4 p.m. Lt. S.R. White responded to the Mayville Road for a report of shots fired. Two subjects were found and two weapons confiscated. A game warden arrived and summonsed a subject for shooting too close to a dwelling. A bird was found that had been shot and was turned over to the warden.

At 7 p.m. Lt. S.R. White responded to Route 2 for a report of a possible domestic incident on the side of the road. Jaime L. Seaman, 21, was arrested for domestic assault.

At 8 p.m., while transporting a prisoner, Lt. S.R. White came across a domestic incident on the side of the road in Locke Mills. He secured the two subjects until a county deputy arrived.

Saturday, April 4

At 5:50 p.m. Lt. S.R. White received a complaint that someone had thrown a can onto a lawn on Mason Street. The complainant described the vehicle, which the officer located at a residence. While talking with the owner there a strong smell of marijuana was detected. Five occupants were questioned, and they said they had smoked it all. The

officer searched and recovered a pipe and warned a subject for paraphernalia.

At 7 p.m. a subject turned in a purse found at the covered bridge in Newry. The owner was contacted and the purse was returned.

At 10:21 p.m. on Mayville Road Officer Jeff Campbell arrested Matthew S. Yardumian, 44, on an arrest warrant for failure to appear.

At 10:50 p.m. Lt. S.R. White assisted a state trooper at the BPD with an OUI subject who was semi-uncooperative.

At 11:40 p.m. Lt. S.R. White responded to Newry for a 911 hangup call that turned out to be a domestic incident. He secured the scene until the Sheriff's Dept. arrived.

Friday, April 3

At 9 a.m. Officer Jack Taylor found a lost Maine license plate in a Main Street parking lot. It was to be held at the BPD for the owner to possibly claim.

At 11:54 p.m. Officer Jeff Campbell arrested Peter D. Burgess on Spring Street for OUI, unauthorized use of property (motor vehicle), and violation of condition of release.

Thursday, April 2

At 3:13 a.m. Officer Jason Goss responded to the West Bethel Road for a report of a vehicle accident. A pickup truck had rolled over. There were no injuries. Robert T. Brace, 19, of Norway was arrested for driving to endanger and violating conditional release.

At 6:14 p.m. Officer George Gould responded to Route 2 for a report of a distraught male. There was no contact.

This report highlights points of interest from the Bethel Police Department log. It lists cases reported in the log of adults being arrested or issued a summons in the 10 days prior to the newspaper's publication, but does not include all reports of police activity, such as routine speeding tickets and other civil violations. To reach the Bethel Police Department, call 911 in emergency situations, 824-3437 in non-emergencies.

Oxford County Jail:

(Bethel region)

April 7, 1:56 a.m.: Kristy E. McLaughlin, 21, of Bethel, OUI; by Trooper Jason Wing in Bethel.

April 5, 7:30 p.m.: Jaime L. Seaman, 21, of Manchester, DV assault; by BPD Lt. S.R. White in Bethel.

April 4, 1:43 a.m.: Peter D. Burgess, 23, of Hanover, OUI, violation of bail conditions, unauthorized property use; by BPD Officer Jeff Campbell.

April 4, 10:21 p.m.: Matthew S. Yardumian, 44, of Wakefield, Mass., failure to appear; by BPD Officer Jeff Campbell on Mayville Rd., Bethel.

April 4, 11:53 p.m.: Barbara J. Craaybeek, 48, of Gloucester, Mass., OUI; by Trooper Tom Welch in Bethel.

West Bethel



by Lorrie Hoeh

The bird population at the Hoehstead continues to grow. Recently the robins began their morning serenade, and on Monday of this week, I heard my first phoebe calls. This prompted Mike to clean off the little nesting platform that they seem to favor each year. Regular visitors include juncos, goldfinches, tree sparrows, song sparrows, pine siskins, purple finches, hairy and downy woodpeckers, white-breasted and red-breasted nuthatches, and one solitary brown creeper.

Jerry Vincent reports much the same variety coming to his feeders, indicating that spring is on the rise all up and down the Flat Road. Jerry and Shireen recently returned from a week in Texas, where they were feted on the occasion of their 50th anniversary by their three sons. Four generations of Vincents, including Jerry's 97-year-old uncle and nine folks who were at the wedding, enjoyed the festivities at the Houston Museum of Natural Science.

Since Jerry is a retired geology professor, the setting in the museum's mineral room was especially apt. Shireen said she had a wonderful time surrounded by three sons, Scott, Matthew, and John; two daughters-in-law; and two granddaughters, Kim and Savannah. It

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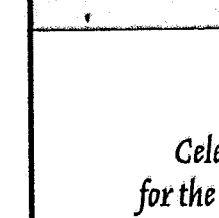
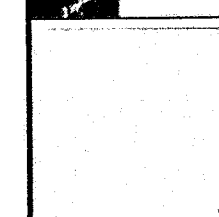
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was also a nice break from cold weather and mud season, neither of which is dear to Shireen's heart! Heartiest congratulations to the Vincents on reaching this milestone!

Farther down the road, Reg Westleigh has been home for a few weeks and is recovering nicely from a hip fracture. His physical therapy is going well, although not nearly fast enough to suit him. Linda says he will soon graduate to P.T. in Norway, rather than at home, so she will be chauffeuring him two days a week.

I left you last week with bats swooping over the pool at La Casa del Suizo on the Napo River in Ecuador. The next morning we traveled by boat to a small jungle museum where we were shown displays of primitive tools, a birthing room, animal traps, clothing made of bark cloth and/or grass skirts, etc.

Then we visited AmaZoo-Nia, which is an animal rescue facility, much like the one in Gray, Maine. The animals, which are orphaned or injured, are rehabilitated wherever possible and returned to the wild when and if they are able to survive on their own. We saw ocelots, parrots, macaws, monkeys, agoutis, kinkajous, et al. We also saw an anaconda (in a cage) that had just eaten her dinner. Highly visible in her sleek body were five humps, the unfortunate mice she had just swallowed. Anacondas are constrictors, like boas.

Later that day we revisited Ahuano village again. This time we were invited into a dwelling where a native woman demonstrated the making of chicha, a mildly alcoholic drink made from manioc root. She first mashed some of the root in a shallow wooden tray, then she grated some raw sweet potato into

the mash. This was to provide enzymes which encourage the fermentation process. Finally we were served some of the same mix which had been fermented for several days and had water added. I must say I was glad that the sweet potato to enzymes were used, rather than the older method of adding saliva to provide enzymes.

My big moment came next. Our native guide, Ivan (Eevahn'), showed us his blowgun, about four or five feet long, and a quiver filled with darts. He then aimed at a carved wooden bird on a pole about 30 feet away, and hit it with a dart. It was my turn next, and I managed to hit the target! My reward from Ivan was a face-paint job, which he did with the juice of some seeds he mashed up. I can't help but add that I was the only one of our party who hit the target.

Next day we had an excellent walk in the jungle, learning about plants, trees, insects, and birds. We crossed a deep gulch in a basket chair on a zip line (as an acrophobic, I found this a bit scary), walked over two swing bridges (ditto), and then started on the trip back. We stopped at a beach where we had left a load of balsa logs. There we watched as Ivan, Eduardo, and Pablo lashed the logs into a raft, on which we then floated back to La Casa del Suizo.

A butterfly farm in Ahuano was our afternoon destination. Farms such as this one all over Ecuador raise butterflies and moths for museums and nature displays all over the world. It was fascinating to see so many different kinds of cocoons and chrysalises, not to mention the incredible variety of gorgeous butterflies. We were caught in a deluge walking back to La Casa, but what's a little wetness when we saw such wonders.

The last place we visited be-

fore our return to the U.S. was Termas Papallacta, a resort known for its thermal baths. It is situated in an ancient volcano caldera, with lots of underground hot springs. We were able to bask in pleasantly warm (or hot, if one desired) pools, oblivious to the cooler air and cloudy skies around us. Once again, the altitude of about 12,000 feet sapped our strength.

Our last night was back in Quito at Le Parc Hotel. It was early to bed for all, as we had early, early flights. Ours took us through Bogotá, Colombia, which was a security nightmare: at least three baggage checks/searches, including being patted down. But we made it through and had an uneventful flight to Atlanta, then Boston. After a night with our daughter's family in Boston, we were back on the Flat Road on the 23rd.

Spring is progressing, albeit slowly, daffodils are poking through, and it's important to remember that April showers bring May flowers!

Gilead



by Lin Chapman

The sunshine is doing a great job of getting rid of

the snow but leaving a lot of mud around.

My brother, Steve McLain, has had a few turkeys in his yard lately. He finds it interesting that neither of his dogs, Laney or Spot, have any interest in them.

Mary Tyler had a chance to get some good pictures of a sharp shinned hawk, broad winged hawk and a cooper's hawk that were in her backyard recently. They were trying to decrease the blue jay population.

Hugh and I went to Tim and Michele's for an early Easter dinner this past Sunday. The Easter Bunny was kind enough to come early since William and Annie were there for the weekend and would not be next weekend. Tim and Michele made a great dinner and besides the grandchildren, William, Annie, Ajay and Sidney, those present were Michele's parents, Leo and Ann Croteau, and Tim and Michele's friends, Brad, Leslie and their son, Nate.

Hugh and I ran into Len and Alice Strait at Tractor Supply last Sunday. The discussion led to Japanese Beetles, and has anyone had any problems with them bothering their gardens in the past. If you have, what are some good ways to control them.

Steve and Lise McLain went to Mr. Pizza in Gorham this past weekend for Lise's birthday celebration.

Alan Newton from the Bog Road called with an update on Eleanor Conary, who used to live on the Bog Road. Eleanor fell and broke her hip last December but is home now and would love to hear from her former neighbors. Her address is 425 Washington Street, Norwich, CT 06360 and her phone number is 860-889-6006. Well wishes go out to Eleanor.

Comp. Planning Committee
The next CP committee meeting is scheduled for April 28 at

7 p.m. in the Town Office.

Got any news? Call 836-2987 or e-mail chapmal@hotmail.com.

Andover



by Melinda Averill

Hello Andover friends, we need to remember during all of this lousy, rainy

weather that April showers bring May flowers!

Hopefully the weather will clear for the annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday. Starting time is 9 a.m. sharp in front of Mills Market. Kids through sixth grade are welcome to hunt.

Congratulations to Cindy Farrington, who achieved the deans list at The University of New England in Biddeford, where she studied dental hygiene. She will be pinned on May 8 and graduate the following day, May 9. Congratulations also to her sister, Lindsey Farrington, who will be graduating from the University of Maine at Machias on May 16. Both girls are the daughters of Mark and Sharon Farrington of East Andover.

More college news: congratulations to Melissa Chase for completing her second semester of her master's program through Liberty University. She earned a perfect 4.0. Your family is proud of you!

Congratulations to Drew Hutchins, eighth grader at Telstar Middle School, for going to the Maine State Geography Bee on Friday, held at

the University of Southern Maine. Drew is the grandson of Becky and Ellie Freeman and Dwight and Ellen Hutchins of Andover.

Interested in the history of our town? The Andover Historical Society is looking for new faces. They meet at the AHS building a couple of times a month, from 9 to 10:30 a.m. In April they will meet on the 13th and the 27th, in May on the 4th and 18th, in June the 8th and 22nd and July 13th and 27th. For more information get in touch with one of the following ladies: Bev Swan, Eda Perkins, Norma Farrington or Trudy Akers.

Mark your calendar for the upcoming annual Birthday Supper held at the First Congregational Church on Saturday, April 25. There will be two sittings, 5 p.m. and 6 p.m. The menu this year is roast turkey and all the fixings. As usual the tables will be decorated for the twelve months of the year and summer, winter, spring and fall. Prices are \$7 for adults and \$3 for children.

I would like to send sympathy to Andover residents Steve and Claire Sessions and family, for the loss of his father, Elmer Sessions of Norway, who passed away on

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Sympathy also to the family and friends of Joel Hodgdon, who died last week after falling in his home. His mother, Virginia Daigle Justard, is a former Andover resident.
More public supper notes — Spring surely is here, as Andover Service Circle (ASC) is planning its 7th annual Senior Appreciation Dinner. On Monday, April 20, the Circle will give its yearly gift to Andover's seniors (those who have reached 65 years of age) and the disabled. All guests are encouraged to bring a companion. The doors of Town Hall will open at 4 p.m. for some social time followed by the 4:30 dinner with dessert. All those eligible who would like to attend are asked to please tele-

phone Judy Michaud at 392-1221, so that ASC can prepare the proper amount of food to delight everyone's appetite.
Celebrating a birthday this week: Lacey Gammon on April 10, Wade McPherson on the 11th and Elijah Salatin on the 14th.
Enjoy your Easter weekend.

Mason



by Richard Grover
I finally saw a few sure signs of spring last week.
One day I saw a woodcock probing the mud by a little brook. Shortly thereafter, a formation of

geese flew overhead in a northward direction! I also noted a pussy willow with little white blooms just past our spring.
Not only that; most of our front yard is free of snow, and our driveway is starting to stiffen up. Mona's outdoor Christmas tree fell over, and her animated "feeding deer" with the little white lights appeared out of the snow and also fell over. Can spring be far behind?
One evening I started taking Snuffy on the short stroll up the road to Hutchinson Brook. Just past our spring, Snuffy bounded across the ditch and attacked the roots of an old stump, where, apparently, a chipmunk had just taken refuge.
Nothing to do but he was go-

ing to dig that little critter out of there. I walked on to the brook, leaving Snuffy there, digging and "snuffing" at the base of the stump.
As I reached the stone bridge over the brook, neighbors Jim and Faye pulled over, and we chatted for about 10 minutes. Just as I was starting for home again, Snuffy came bounding up.
Then he raced me home again. He stopped briefly at his stump, and then trotted the rest of the way home, apparently tired of the chipmunk game. As I approached the crest of the little rise in the road by the stump, the evidence of Snuffy's enthusiasm was scattered half way across the road in the form of dirt and wood splinters.
As I went out front to mail a couple things last Monday morning, I met our neighbor Sue Ellen just returning from an early morning "uphill" walk, carrying a very beat-

up and dirty beer can. When I commented on the can, she replied she was doing her part to "beautify America." This, in turn, triggered a memory of an incident quite a few years ago when she was working in an organization caring for troubled and handicapped kids.
It seems that one young man there had been involved in abusing drugs to the point where he suffered brain damage. Sue Ellen worked with him in an effort to facilitate his rehabilitation. One day she discovered that her young man was missing, and she finally found him out in the woods picking up trash. When she asked what he was doing, he replied that he was helping to beautify the world! At any rate, the young man proved to be a good worker, and Sue Ellen was later able to help him get his first real job, with C.B. Cummings, and he has never forgotten her assistance. He has kept in touch with her over the years and is now 42 years old; he now works at Maine Medical Center in Portland.
Sue Ellen said she was surprised to receive a phone call from this fellow a week or two ago.
After the greeting and exchange of pleasantries, the fellow finally said, "I need your help." She responded, "What can I do for you?" His answer, "I need a wife!"
She responded that she would see what she could do, and has been trying to come up with some way for him to meet a compatible woman. She said he is a very tall and good looking man now, and she has decided to find out if he would be interested in getting involved with Maine Handicapped Skiing, where he might find a soul mate.

Locke Mills



by Lorraine Larson
Just when I finally thought I had a computer system

I could use, it decided that it could not connect up with the Internet. Ralph says it refuses to recognize itself as a communication device. One little boy once said "computers were dumb because they could only do what you tell it to."
Those who have been close to computers for many years do not seem to feel that way. I know Ralph said it was creepy to go to work at night and hear the computers talk between themselves. Certainly, he talks as if there are times when they seem to have minds of their own.
Unfortunately, this seems to be one of them. I do have a place to create a document, which is good because it lets me type the column instead of expecting someone to be able to read my writing, but I can't find Wordpad that I used to use, and it may not have one since the spell checker didn't even want me to use the word.
Alas, computers mainly are still an enigma to me, although a necessary enigma.
I got through the winter very nicely not catching anything only to get a cold now it is approaching warmer weather. At least this year the weather is following a normal pattern, "March winds and April showers bring on mayflowers," although the lovely mayflowers are pretty much a thing of the past. I haven't seen any in years. Back in my childhood mayflowers were the thing to bring home to

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your mother every year. Anyhow, to get back to the bug I have caught, it must be one of those horrible looking creatures with the furry legs, feelers and voracious mouths one sees so often under a microscope, since I feel so miserable. Or it might be like one of the spiders I dreamed about the other night that had latched onto my arm and wouldn't let go. I don't like 'spiders, as one little girl said more years ago than I care to remember, even "daddy long-legs," which I always considered rather benign until one bit me a few years back. Anyhow, what the significance of that dream was escapes me but I woke up rather shaken that the spider didn't even scrape off. Snakes I can handle in small doses, and mice, although I am not fond of them in the house. But spiders are another category altogether.

I did get a chance to remind Rusty at Christmas when he visited the church about the time that, when he was seven and visiting me, we found a rather large snake in the middle of the bed he was to sleep in that night and how, after corralling it in a pillow case, we took it across the street and let it loose only to have it take off after us instead of heading for the woods as we expected it to do. The problem was that Rusty was holding the flashlight and when he saw the snake heading for us he took off for the house only to leave me in the dark

with a very angry snake. He is nearly twenty-five now but he still had the grace to blush! I am afraid we still like to tease him a bit, but he takes it from whence it comes! He lives in Houlton so we don't get to see him that often, so I guess he figures he can stand it for a short space of time. And my apologies to those who have heard this story ad nauseam.

The Greenwood Fire Department Auxiliary met Monday evening at the fire station to discuss the Town Meeting dinner (I would say lunch but it sounds funny since it has been dinner since I can remember). Tammy Goodwin, our president, was only two weeks out of surgery so the Fire Department offered the help of three junior members, which we gratefully accepted. And sure enough the young men, under the supervision of Tammy Goodwin, were a big help. Denise Swan's sister also came to help, which was great. Veronica Penley, Denise Swan, and I rounded out the crew. My contribution is mainly washing dishes these days but it is one thing someone else doesn't have to do. We served close to 75 and made almost \$500, half of which goes into the benevolence fund and the other half to the general fund. We have been very fortunate that we haven't had any major fires lately, but the little ones and other events the Fire Department does, keep them hopping. And, of course, there is the endless training. And, as always, the Auxiliary is very

grateful for those who cook and supply other needs. My cold held off until late Saturday night so I was grateful for that, although, if I had known I was going to have one, I would have stayed away so no one else would be in danger of catching it, at least not from me.

I was sorry I couldn't get to Norman Milliard's and Polly Jordan's Open House but I do wish them happy retirements from the Post Office, as I am sure many others do.

Aland Crystal Lake returned home Tuesday from Texas after visiting their son and wife, Brent and Jessica Lake, and, as Crystal puts it, their two little puddles, Hunter and Hailley. I am sure it is nice for all the family that Brent is stationed back in the States after a tour of duty in England.

Newry



by Sylvia Harrington

During the month of April fresh home-grown chicken

eggs are being sold at the Bear River Trading Post. Claire and Cassidy are being taught by their parents just how to do this. If you like fresh eggs please stop by or give them a call at 824-2327. The price is \$3 per dozen.

A few new birds are showing up at the feeder. A yellow shafted flicker has been here

three days feeding on the suet. A few juncos are showing up as is a rusty blackbird. I'm hoping the redpolls will head north; they sure can put a dent in the seed container.

While at the Trading Post this weekend, Ed Bennett of Upton was having coffee and told me that an Australian girl had stopped in to where Nancy works at L.L. Cote's in Errol, N.H. She mentioned that she lived in the only one-horse town in America and that she and Ed were that couple and do own a horse. According to Ed there just may be a story written in an Australian paper to that effect and they would send one to her. Sort of hope they do follow up on that, as I would like to read it.

The noisy trucks that go across the Bear River on the bridge across from the Newry Church are not crossing it lately. I mentioned to friends that maybe they had finished the job. But it was pointed out to me that there is a weight ban posted on Route 26. So the noise will probably continue when the ban is lifted.

On Palm Sunday my son made a wonderful meal for us. I got to his house so early that we ate in the morning. Mark is a much better cook than I am these days. He is making a special meal for us on Easter, and I'll make a point of getting there on time. So the flood waters must stay away!

East Bethel



by Nancy Mercer

Millie Jackson was the guest of honor at a birthday party at the Funky Red Barn on March 26. Leslie Mikool and children of Poland took Millie to Pizza Hut on March 27 for a birthday lunch.

Alder River Grange will hold a meeting on April 24 at

the Hall with a 6 p.m. supper and the meeting at 7 p.m.

If you have any news, give me a ring at 824-3350. God Bless the Troops.

East Andover



by Joan Stinson-Carney

My condolences to the family and friends of East Andover resident Joel Hodsdon,

who died unexpectedly last week.

The new April Fool's "gotta" list stands at ten. That sets a new record for me, and it was fun. I got Honey Cronin twice, now she won't talk to me. Just kidding, Honey is a good sport.

The East Andover Community Club meets on Monday at Betty Moore's. Cookie Thew and I are the hostesses, so be prepared ladies.

The Andover Historical Society needs new members. They meet on the second and fourth Monday of each month from 9 to 10:30 a.m. at the Historical Building next to the Town Hall.

I guess that spring is finally springing. We have some beautiful purple flowers growing beside our house. I have no idea what they are, but it's a real pleasure to look at them.

The Andover Food Pantry will be holding a Seniors lunch at 12 p.m. on Tuesday, April 14. All seniors are invited, the food is great and there is time to talk and gossip after lunch.

On Thursday, April 9, The First Congregational Church of Andover will be holding a Covenant of the Last Supper at 5:30 p.m. followed by a Garden Meditation in the Sanctuary. Fruit, bread and cheese will be served after the services. On April 10, the Good Friday Service will begin at 7 p.m. On Easter Sunday, Sun-

rise Service at 6:30 a.m., Easter Breakfast at 7 a.m., and the Easter Service at 10 a.m.

The Andover Calvary Bible Church will hold Good Friday Services at 6:30 p.m. Easter Sunrise Service will start at 7 a.m. followed by the Easter Breakfast at 7:30 a.m., Sunday school at 9:30 and the Easter Worship Service at 10:45 a.m.

I hope the Easter Bunny brings you a lot of chocolate, and that you share with me. See ya.

Hanover



by Clem Worcester

The second sign-ups for the Rumford Point Community Athletic Association

children's summer baseball program will be Tuesday, April 14, between 6 and 8 p.m. at the Hanover Town Office. The first sign-up day was April 7.

The Hanover Comprehensive Plan Committee meeting is usually the third Wednesday of the month. The April meeting, however, will be on the fourth Wednesday, April 22. The change was made this month to provide scheduling to enable the Planning Board and Select Board the opportunity to attend the planning session. The meeting begins at 6 p.m.

Sara Worcester is recovering from surgery on April 1 at the Central Maine Medical Center in Lewiston. While recuperating she is staying at her father's home (Bruce and Vicki Clark) on the Ellis River Road. While on the way to the hospital for the early morning operation prep the vehicle she was using broke down. She soon was in another vehicle and on her way, but it just had to be April Fool's Day!

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The Hanover Planning Board met April 1 at the Town Office. Much of the meeting was a discussion with a Howard Pond property owner with plans for renovations and additions to his property.

We extend sympathy to Nancy Lyons and her family upon the passing of Elmer. Elmer was an educator, antique dealer and auctioneer in Hanover and around Maine. Everyone will miss his stories.

The Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias of Maine recently honored four local men who traveled onto the Androscoggin River ice in the darkness of night to rescue Michael Thurston after he went into the water with a snowmobile. Receiving special medallions and certificates were Thaddeus Bennett, Mathew Roy, Richard Bonnell and Spencer Couture. Grand Chancellor Carl Young presented the awards at the event that was co-sponsored by Cabot Lodge and included a luncheon. The event took place at the Andover Town Hall on April 4.

Upton



by Laurie Brown

Since this is my last chance to remind you about the Easter activities sponsored by the Ladies Aid, I'll be more specific. Sunrise Service will be at 6 a.m. at Jim and Wilma Rector's home. They live in the first house on the left on East B Hill, heading from Upton toward Andover. It's the house built by O. H. Abbott about 1843. It will be an outside service. Breakfast will be immediately afterward at the Ladies Aid Building — approximately 6:45 — and will be served until 9 a.m. We'll serve eggs, bacon, sausage, home fries, homemade donuts and muffins, coffee, tea, milk, and

juice. The Ladies Aid has been unable to offer this service for several years, and hope all tables will be filled.

A while ago, Nancy Thew told some folks from New York that she lived in a "one-horse town." That one horse being Mister Bub, of course. The New York lady wrote a story that has apparently crossed our country and the pond! Nancy has received calls from folks in Montana. Last weekend, some folks from Australia asked at Cote's where they could find the one horse town. The saleslady they asked was Nancy!

In 1942 there were 25 kids registered at the Upton School. There were thirteen in 1944. At a special town meeting, voters decided to discontinue the high school grades and would pay part of the board for pupils who had previously had the opportunity to do first and second year high school work in Upton, if they wished to go elsewhere.

In 1947 the school's new water supply was complete, except for a concrete cover for the spring.

There were 20 students in 1948, 23 in 1950. An oil burner was installed in 1954. In 1959 there were 10 elementary students and the decision was made to suspend operation of the Upton School and send the kids to Errol until there were more than ten students.

Dr. Barnes built a summer home on Lane's Hill (now called Barnes Road) in 1960. The same year, Mr. Olson of Magalloway moved a camp across Umbagog Lake onto the Jack Rogerson property.

Mark Twain said, "Part of the secret of success in life is to eat what you like and let the food fight it out inside."

The snow is down to patches here and there, mostly where snowbanks were, and where the sun doesn't hit much of the day.

Have a wonderful Easter. Se- lah

West Paris



by Joyce Lamb

The snow is nearly gone. It disappeared fast when it did warm up

a bit. What is left is mostly where the roads and driveways were plowed into a pile. Also near buildings with metal roofs there are still big piles. We can now see to safely get out of the driveways. As yet no crocuses have dared to poke their heads above the frozen leaves and snow. A good warm, sunny day would help them appear.

On Easter Sunday, April 12, the West Paris Universalist Church sunrise service is at 6 a.m. on the top of High Street on Perham Road at the home of Ray and MaryAnn Brown. We will watch the sun rise above the horizon at 6:03. This will be followed by Easter breakfast at the church. The regular church service is at 9 a.m. The Rev. Richard Beal will lead the services. All are invited to attend. Jim Burke, at the organ, will have special Easter music.

Vince and Beverly Stevens returned Wednesday to their home after three months in Florida. Other West Paris people will be returning in about two weeks. Beverly said the weather in Florida the past two weeks has been very hot, too hot for Maine folks. They had a good winter and enjoyed the fruits and comfortable weather. They did have one good frost though.

The sidewalks and roads are now bare allowing the Cotton Tops to walk three mornings a week without fear of slipping and falling and breaking bones. The group will be increasing as the weather warms up.

My amaryllis bud finally opened and is neither red nor white but a light peach. There are two large blossoms, which last about two weeks.

At the Whitman Memorial Library in Bryant Pond on Thursday, April 9, Nancy Dewing will tell of her trip to India at 2 p.m. It is free and light refreshments will be served.

It was time to get out my

Easter decorations and I was surprised to discover I did not have any bunnies, either ceramic or plush. I do have many lambs but no rabbits. Think they are better for my household!

Muffin did take a small, fluffy chick out of a basket of eggs but did not try to eat it. I still have pleasant memories of my Easter at Westminster Abby in London three years ago.

Greenwood City



by Wayne Hakala

We had a nice day till that wind got cold this afternoon. And

it sure chilled me in a hurry. I rode down to the old gravel pit on my tractor and time I got back I was wishing I had gloves and something warmer. But sure was fun getting out and beyond the limits of almost-gone snow banks.

The Post 68 family had another good week. Our bingo players have been loyal to us and some new faces keep showing up. We are very happy to have them and do our best to keep them coming. On Thursday at our members' meeting we set a time frame to do some maintenance work. On the 11th we are taking down the smoke eaters, as we no longer allow smoking in the hall. No sense in allowing heat to escape. Also we are looking into replacing some windows and ceiling tiles. Plus a dozen other little things. And soon we can start some projects on the outside.

On Saturday there was a Basket Bingo for the Gilead FD and there was a poor turnout. It's a sad thing as they are trying to earn money for much-needed equipment. While we did accomplish a number of tasks during the bingo, we wished for more active afternoon catering to the players.

We pulled the taps and put most everything away for the year. But we have six gallons of sweet, heavenly nectar. Anita made apple pancakes this morning that were fit for a king without the syrup. But the syrup was just a crown of jewels!

My fingers aren't hitting the keys too well tonight. So I will quit wearing out the spell checker and call it. Keep a smile on your face and keep them wondering what you are up too.

Bryant Pond



by Alice Hoyt

The Whitman Memorial Library program April 9 (today) at 2 p.m. is Nancy

Dewing, Greenwood, talking on her trip to India. Everyone is welcome at no charge.

Services at the Baptist Church are Sunday school at 9:15 a.m., morning worship at 10:30 a.m., evening service at 6 p.m. Saturday, April 11, at 9 a.m. the Hospitality Committee is decorating the church and setting up for breakfast. Sunday, April 12, at 7 a.m. is Sunrise Service followed by a breakfast; April 15 to 19 is Missionary Conference with missionaries Dr. Peter Chamberland, Adam, Bethany and Michaela Gibbs, and Pastor Stuart and Alice Hilton.

The Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens met at the fire station on April 2. Twenty-three members attended. A delicious dinner was served by the Daughters of Union Veterans, and program was Ann Morton. She spoke on the writing of your growing-up years so your family will have them in years to come. Next meeting is May 7 at the Grange Hall. This is a potluck dinner with each one bringing a dish to share and your own place setting. Program is the Woodstock Elementary School music program. New members always welcome. Musa Brown brought a flyer of a trip the Rumford Senior Citizens are taking in May. For more information, call Marie Marcoux at 364-4700.

The Woodstock Historical Society will meet on Saturday, April 11. The supper will be Italian sandwiches. Each one to bring something for making Italian sandwiches. Meeting follows and program. This starts at 6 p.m.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Gary Gray.

Waterford



by Rockie Graham

April is here and with it comes the rains, those April showers that are

said to bring Mayflowers. To that end, I keep haunting the piles of snow hoping for a few buds. There are a few day lilies poking through nearer to the house where the snow has miraculously gone. Now I am hoping for more snow to leave and my gardens to arise from their winter slumbers. So far we have been lucky here and the mud has been at a minimum; not so elsewhere, even down the road ahead.

Meanwhile our seedlings have begun to sprout and are growing. At first they were leggy and getting no sun. Then we had a day of sun and poof! Up they came and others sprouted. Yay!

Tasha loves it on sunny days. She lies in the sun wherever she can. Sometimes we pull into the driveway and she is sound asleep in the sun on the side of the driveway. Actually she sleeps a lot these days. I try not to worry as I know she is just aging gracefully. She still can run with the grandkids and walks the high and middle school kids home every day, but then she comes home and sleeps for hours.

I want to thank everyone who has been caring and inquired into my health these months when we know not what was going on. It still seems crazy, but I guess allergies are funny. No one really knows what causes them or how to deal with them.

As this is Passover, I am trying to cook up non-bread dishes. I am working a matzo meal "bread" pudding. In any case, Happy Passover to all and Happy Easter next week. Good Friday is April 10 and Easter Sunday is April 12.

April 21, AARP will hold a Driving course for Seniors at Waterford Town Office from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Cost is \$14/person and it is for adults 55 and over. There is a break for lunch. FMI call Mary DeLorenzo at 588-4490.

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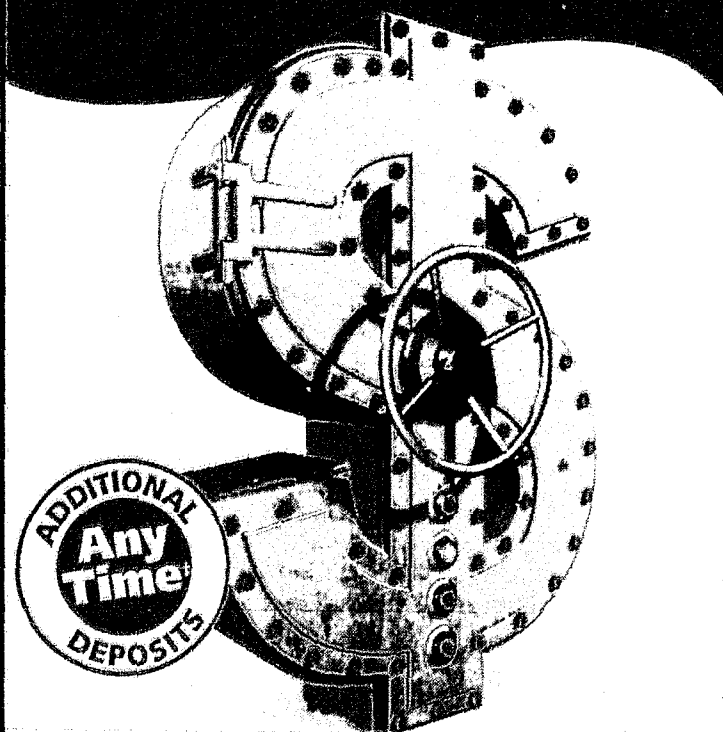
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That is all for this week. Have a great Passover and Easter.

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Woodstock Republican Committee

Woodstock Republicans met March 11, 2009, to conduct routine business and plan for coming events. In addition to approving a very generous donation toward the audio system purchased by the County Committee, the Woodstock Committee discussed an exciting schedule of informational and fundraising events, including a yard sale that will be held at George Hooper's farm in June.

On Sunday, April 19, the Woodstock Town Committee will have the pleasure of hosting a conference with the leaders of the Republican Project. President and CEO Dean Scontras and Executive Director Ted Ropple will present and

lead a discussion on the mission to "Reform, Rebuild and Refocus Republicanism in the state of Maine." The conference starts at 1:30 p.m. at the Woodstock Fire Station conference room.

Reminders:

The Oxford County Republican meeting will be held Tuesday, April 14, at the American Legion Hall in Buckfield. The dinner and meeting will start at 5:30 p.m. Charlie Webster, the chairman of the Maine Republican Party will be the special guest speaker.

The next Town Committee meeting will be held Wednesday, May 20, at 7 p.m. at George Hooper's house.

From

Western Mountains Senior College

Forty diners enjoyed a "Pasta Buffet" prepared by Heather and Dave of the Good Food Store and served in the dining room of the Bethel Congregational Church on Wednesday evening, April 1.

The buffet of Orchetti, Fettuccine, Pasta Putanesca and Baked Pasta all prepared with special added ingredients were served with tossed

field greens and garden vegetables with homemade dressings and crusty breads. A dessert of "Tiramisu" topped it all. All diners were invited to take "doggie bags" of many leftovers, to the delight of the diners. Everyone went home with a list of healthy eating tips and recipes, which included several more of Heather and Dave's favorites.

As one diner said on a comment card, "Good food doesn't have to be expensive. Tonight's dinner was tasty, filling and scrumptious."

Next week's healthy eating evening will be a "Turkish Dinner" served by The Victoria Inn with 50 diners taking over the entire restaurant.

Healthy Eating on a Budget is presented by the To Your Health committee of Western Mountains Senior College with the collaboration of Bethel Family Health Center, SAD44/Community Education and Wayne DuPlessis, counselor. FMI call R. Tiff at 824-2053 or J. Whitman at 824-0347.

For Your Calendar

Jasper Kruse, a Passive House consultant, who recently started a green construction company, "Maine Passive House," will be the next speaker at Down Home Maine scheduled for Thursday, May 7, from 4:30 to 6 p.m.

at the Bethel Congregational Church. Watch for more details.

From

Bethel Historical Society's Regional History Center

An afternoon celebrating the bicentenary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln in 1809 will be held at the Bethel Historical Society's Dr. Moses Mason House meeting room on Saturday, April 18, from 2 to 4 p.m.

Society Executive Director Stanley R. Howe, who has been collecting books and other memorabilia on the U.S. presidency for over thirty-five years, will lead the discussion on Lincoln's relationship with New England and New Englanders.

Not only was the 16th President's first vice president, Hannibal Hamlin (also born in 1809) from New England, but a number of his key advisers and close friends hailed from New England.

In addition, Lincoln's favorite humorist was a native of Waterford, Maine. Lincoln traveled to New England on a number of occasions and told humorous stories about New Englanders. A large number of Lincoln biographies and

other studies relating to Lincoln will be available for participants to review.

The seminar is open to anyone interested at a nominal fee of \$5 for Bethel Historical Society members and \$10 for nonmembers. High school and university students may attend without charge. To register, please call the society office at 824-2908 or (800) 824-2910 or send an e-mail to: info@bethelhistorical.org

From

Oxford Hills Duplicate Bridge Club

Oxford Hills Duplicate Bridge Club met Friday in the Fare Share Building in Norway at 9:15 a.m. A 4-table Howell movement was enjoyed.

Finishing first in flight A were Rosemarie Goodwin and Luke Merry. There was a second and third place tie between Beverly Pelletier and Jim Dickens with Rooth and Haziell Glazier who also were tied for first and second in flight B.

There will be another game next Friday same time and place; all bridge players are cordially invited. A partner is always guaranteed.

There seems to be an aura

fixed to duplicate bridge, which is totally in error. Bridge is bridge no matter how it is played. Duplicate only means that if there were enough tables playing they would be divided into two sessions and the hands would be copied (duplicated) so that each part of the two sessions would be playing the same boards.

Social or party bridge deal the hands each time and are not played by every pair. So actually in this type of bridge whoever gets the aces and kings will win. In duplicate it is not necessarily true, you are playing against the other pairs that play the same hand with the same cards as you. If you get a better score with the same cards than everyone else you win.

From

U.M. Extension

Mark Hutton, vegetable specialist for the UM Cooperative Extension, will speak about Post-Harvest Handling for Best Produce Quality April 21 at 6 p.m. at the Cooperative Extension office in South Paris. Pre-registration is required before April 17 by calling 743-6329 or (800) 287-1482.



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Obituaries

ELIZABETH BALAMOTIS

Elizabeth "Liz" A. Balamotis, age 66, wife of Paul T. Balamotis, died Friday morning, April 3, 2009 at her home after a one-year illness from lung cancer.

Born in Hartford, Conn., and raised in Bethel, Maine, she is the daughter of Grace (Adams) Jackson and the late Clifton Jackson. She was a graduate of Gould Academy and Burdette College.

Mrs. Balamotis had worked as a legal secretary and executive secretary at a Boston business firm. She also worked at St. Rose of Lima parish in Topsyfield. During the last ten years, Liz worked as a volunteer at the Box Top Shop, a consignment shop in Topsyfield, which contributes all its revenues to local charities. She was a loving, caring mother, daughter, wife and friend.

Surviving her in addition to her husband and mother are one son, Jack Balamotis of Topsyfield, Mass.; four sisters, Patricia James and her husband Carl of Walnutport, Pa.; Linda Banks and her husband George of Patten, Maine; Jacquelyn Roshto and her husband Gary of Crystal, Maine; Kimberly Jackson of Wallingford, Conn.; five brothers, Clifton A. Jackson and his wife Kathleen of West Paris, Maine, Ralph Jackson and his wife Barbara of Whitehall, Pa.; Theodore Jackson and his wife Shelley of North Guilford, Conn.; Allen Jackson and his wife Trene of Madison, Conn., and Garry Jackson and his wife

Sharon of Meriden, Conn.; one grandson, Benjamin Santos.

A celebration of life service will be held Saturday, April 18 from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. at her late residence. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in her memory to VNA Care Network and Hospice, 5 Federal Street, Danvers, MA 01923.



GILBERT M. CARLSON

Gilbert Mason Carlson, 88, of Hallowell, formerly of Hingham, Mass., died Wednesday, April 1, 2009 after a brief illness.

He was born in Boston, Mass., on Feb. 19, 1921, a son of Gottard Wilhelm Carlson and Ella Mildred Tuell Carlson. He grew up in Milton, Mass., and graduated from the University of Maine, Orono, receiving a Bachelor's Degree in Forestry in 1943. He served his country during World War II as a Lieutenant J.G. in the U.S. Navy, participating in the

invasion of Guam.

After the war he received his Master's Degree in Education from Boston University and later went on to receive a Certificate of Advanced Graduate Studies. He married Elaine Louise Olson in 1953 and settled in Hingham, Mass., where they resided until 2006.

Gilbert was employed by Hingham Public Schools, serving as a teacher, and in 1959 on, as an elementary school principal. He retired in 1984 following 33 years of dedicated and rewarding service to the children and parents of Hingham.

Gilbert's summers were spent with his family on Garrison Island, Friendship, Maine, a property his family acquired in 1946. In the early years the family harvested blueberries, raspberries, and sea moss. An avid sailor, he enjoyed countless afternoon sails on Muscongus Bay.

He always had a deep affection for Bethel, for as a child he spent many vacations and holidays on Broad Street with his grandparents, Francis and Sadie Tuell, and his uncle, Charlie Tuell. Later, he loved visiting Bethel to view the fall foliage, ski, and spend time with family.

He was a fine athlete, enjoying tennis, skiing, and golf for most of his life. In his later years he bowled regularly. He faithfully followed Boston sports teams.

He loved wood, from splitting and stacking firewood to building fine furniture and his summer house.

Gilbert was a devoted fami-

ly man. He raised five daughters and delighted in visits from them and his four grandchildren. He rediscovered his Swedish family roots and greatly enjoyed family trips to Sweden, especially after reconnecting with long-lost relatives. His final trip to Sweden in the summer of 2007 was special because he was accompanied by his wife and four of his daughters.

He is survived by Elaine Carlson, his wife of 55 years; his daughters, Jane Carlson of Bethel, Holly Cumler and her husband Bob of Warren, Betsy Raymond and her husband Charlie of Bethel, Laurie Taylor and her husband Keith of Hallowell, and Julie Carlson of Brockton, Mass.; his brother, Sumner T. Carlson of Friendship; his sister, Ann B. Carlson of Hallowell; and his grandchildren, Caroline Raymond, Andrew Raymond, Julia Taylor and Gilbert Taylor.

A private memorial service will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, 1 Bowdoin Mill Island, Suite 300, Topsham, ME 04086.

RICHARD E. ROGERS

Richard E. Rogers, 76, of Palermo went home to be with the Lord on April 6, 2009. He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Gloria (McKeen) Rogers.

He was born in Fryeburg, Maine on Feb. 8, 1933, the son of Earle and Eva Rogers. He was employed as a mechanic and engineer for most of

his life, retiring from Crowe Rope in 1995. Throughout his life he was active in Christian ministry, serving as a deacon and trustee at South Paris Baptist Church and then at Bayshore Baptist Church in Lincolnville. Upon retirement, he and his wife became missionaries with Berean Mission, serving six years in England. After retiring from the mission field he became assistant pastor at Faith Community Church in Lovell, Maine. In recent years, he attended Palermo Christian Church and led home Bible study groups.

Besides his wife, he is survived by a son, Richard Rogers, Jr., and his wife Carol of Phillips; his daughter, Nancy Hanson and her husband Eric of South Paris; his daughter, Brenda Maxfield and her husband Vern of Norway; and his daughter, Susan

Williams and her husband Bruce of Palermo. He is also survived by 14 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren, with two more expected; a sister, Evelyn Haverinen of Norway, and a sister, Amy Andrews and her husband Earl of Oxford.

Richard was predeceased by his parents and a brother who died in infancy.

Visiting hours will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, April 9, at Plummer Funeral Home in Windsor. The funeral will be held at Palermo Christian Church at 11 a.m. on Friday, April 10. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Brian and Holly Underhill Outgoing Expenses Fund, c/o Mission Aviation Fellowship, PO Box 47, Nampa, ID 83653.

Online condolences may be left for the family at www.andrewsgreenleaf.com.

News and photos from clubs and organizations

The Citizen welcomes submissions of news items and photographs from local clubs and organizations. The deadline for clubs and organizational items is noon Monday, but earlier submission is appreciated. All news articles should be typed or printed legibly, and include the name and daytime telephone number of a contact person. Submissions can be dropped off at The Citizen office (behind the Bethel Town Office) or mailed to P.O. Box 109, Bethel, ME, 04217. During non-business hours, items can be placed in the mailbox outside our office. For further information, call 824-2444. News and photos can also be submitted by e-mail: news@bethelcitizen.com. Returns: Due to the volume of material passing through our office, we regret that we cannot be responsible for unsolicited submissions.

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Events Calendar

9:15 a.m. (Fridays) - Oxford Hills Duplicate Bridge at Fare Share Food Coop, 443 Main Street, Norway. For more information, call Les Buzzell at 783-4153 or 754-9153; or e-mail: buzzell16@myfairpoint.net.

6:30 p.m. Mondays - Hillsmen Barbershop Chorus rehearses at Catholic Church, Norway, New singers welcome. FMI: call Dr. Tere Porter 743-0656 evenings or Pat Fleck at 647-5005.

Every Wednesday, 7 to 9 p.m. - **The Yet To be Named Banjo Club** practices in the Commons of the Fare Share Market at 477 Main Street, Norway. Interested banjoists invited to join. Public welcome to come and listen. FMI: call Alan Hamilton at 875-2680.

First and Third Wednesdays 9 to 12 a.m. - **Veterans' Advocate** will be at Maine Veterans' Home, South Paris.

Wednesdays 6 to 7:30 p.m. - **People in recovery from alcohol/drug addiction** may need to move to a Next Step group. Open to everyone who feels they may benefit from a change. FMI: call Laurence Austin at 824-4077 (all calls confidential).

Wednesday nights - **TOPS**, take off pounds sensibly, meets at Bethel Alliance Church from 5:30 to 6 p.m. (weigh in) and meeting from 6 to 6:30 p.m. All welcome. FMI: call 824-3288.

Wednesdays 10 to 11 a.m. - **T'ai Chi** at Ellie's Express and 5 to 6 p.m. at Bethel Family Health Center. Taught by Betsey Foster, MPH. To register, contact Betsey at 875-2426 or BSF@megalink.net.

Thursdays 1 to 3 p.m. - **Cross Country Quilters** of Pine Tree Quilt Guild of Maine meet at Moses Mason House Barn, corner of Broad and Mason streets, Bethel. All quilters welcome. No dues, no rules, just fun. FMI: e-mail Pat McCartney at p_quilts@yahoo.com or call Kathy Thrall at 824-3111.

Thursdays, 1:30 to 3 p.m. - **Cancer Wellness Support Group** support and education for cancer patients, survivors, caregivers at Rumford Hospital, Room 357 (2nd floor). Call (877) 336-7287 (toll free) to confirm during stormy weather.

Wall Hanging Quilt Raffle with all proceeds for Tyler Clough, a 9-year-old boy who has cancer. Tickets are \$3 for five or \$1 for one. To purchase tickets, call Jen Cross (cell 462-7840). Drawing will be May 29, 2009.

Thursday, April 9

2 p.m. - **Whitman Memorial Library**, Bryant Pond, guest speaker will be Nancy Dewing of Greenwood, who will talk about her recent trip to India. Open to public at no charge. Light refreshments served.

6:30 p.m. - **Maudy Thursday service** at Rumford Point Congregational Church by Pastor Sondra Withey.

Saturday, April 11

9 a.m. - **Easter Egg Hunt**, Andover, starting at Mills Market for ages pre-school through sixth grade.

10 a.m. - **Egg Hunt** at Crescent Park School, sponsored by Mystery 4-H Club and town of Newry. Eggs, candy and prizes. Wear boots and plan to be outside. FMI: 824-0460.

10 a.m. to 1 p.m. - **Free Easter Egg Art Project** at Lajos Matolcsy Arts Center, special community art project at Norway Easter Festival.

6 p.m. - **Woodstock Historical Society** meeting/supper. Each one to bring something for making Italian sandwiches.

7 p.m. - **Black Diamond Entertainment**: Girl Authority-Tween Pop Sensation, at Grand Summit Resort Hotel, Sunday River Ski Resort. Family friendly music sensation. Tickets: adults \$8 advance/\$8 door, children 12 and under \$4 advance/\$6 door, under 5 free. Advance tickets available at Sunday River Welcome Center, Grand Resort Hotels, Snow Cap Inn

It's always wise to call ahead

Listings in The Citizen's weekly Community Calendar are compiled from a wide variety of sources. While we do our utmost to ensure the reliability of the information presented here, we recognize that when dealing with such a large volume of material, some inaccuracies will occasionally creep in. And in other cases, a sponsoring organization's plans may change between the time The Citizen is printed and the event is held.

Accordingly, we strongly urge our readers to call ahead to verify the details of any event they plan to attend. Doing so will greatly reduce the chance of disappointment or needless inconvenience.

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7:30 p.m. - **At Oddfellow Theater**, Buckfield: Halfmoon Jug Band. Tickets: \$12 adults, \$10 seniors, \$6 for children 12 and under. For tickets call box office at 336-3306.

Sunday, April 12

6:30 a.m. - **Sunday River Christian Ministry Sunrise Service** at Sunday River Ski Resort, Newry this year will be held at North Peak Lodge deck (Lodge open) after a free Chondola ride from South Ridge Lodge area. Service starts between 7 and 7:15 a.m. Three choices after hour-long service: ski down intermediate or advanced beginner slope or ride the chairlift/gondola back to South Ridge Lodge where Easter activities continue.

Sunrise Service at Locke Mills Union Church, with Easter Breakfast following. Everyone welcome.

9 a.m. - **Joint Church Service** between Rumford Point Congregational Church and Locke Mills Union Church at Locke Mills for Easter service with Pastor Sondra Withey. Everyone welcome.

Monday and Tuesday, April 13 and 14

Auditions for "My Fair Lady" by Lake Region Community Theatre at Lake Region High School, Naples. Rehearsals Tuesday and Thursday from 6:30 to 9 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Show dates June 25, 26, 27, 28.

Tuesday, April 14

5:30 to 9:30 p.m. - **Supper/Dance** at American Legion Hall, Locke Mills by American Legion Auxiliary with music by Richard Felt Band. Adults \$10 and children \$3.50.

5:30 p.m. - **Oxford County Republican Committee** meeting at American Legion Hall, Route 140, Buckfield. FMI: call Becky Kendall at 824-3196 or e-mail beckyk@megalink.net.

7:30 p.m. - **Rumford Community Concert Association** presents Wood's Tea Company, a Vermont-based folk group, at Muskie Auditorium, Mountain Valley High School, Rumford.

Wednesday, April 15

10 a.m. to 5 p.m. - **Patron Appreciation Day** at Norway Memorial Library. FMI: call 743-5309 or visit www.norway.lib.me.us.

3 p.m. - **Wellness Van** at Rumford Hannaford. Blood pressure checks, osteoporosis and cholesterol screenings. \$10 for cholesterol screening. Advance appointments not necessary. FMI: call 795-8240 or e-mail prevention@cmhc.org.

6 p.m. - **Healthy Eating on a Budget** at The Victoria Restaurant, Main Street, Bethel, sponsored by To Your Health Committee of Western Mountains Senior College, Bethel Family Health Center, SAD44/Community Education and Wayne DuPlessis, counselor. Cost: \$10. FMI: call R. Tiff (824-2053) or J. Whitman (624-0347).

7 p.m. - **"Apples of Maine"** with speaker John Bunker, Mahosuc Land Trust a Local Knowledge 2009 series, at Trustees' Auditorium, McLaughlin Science Building, Gould Academy. FMI or inclement weather, call 824-3806 or e-mail info@Mahosuc.org or visit www.Mahosuc.org.

7 p.m. - **At Norway Memorial Library**, Meredith Hall, author of "Without A Map: A Memoir" will read from her book and speak about forgiveness and writing memoir. FMI: call the library 743-5309, visit www.Norway.lib.me.us or stop by the library.

Wednesday, April 15, 29 and May 6

7 to 8:30 p.m. - **Ball Room Dance Class** (waltz, foxtrot, jitterbug, tango, rumba, two step) taught by Nancy Willard at Telstar High School (use Adult Ed. entrance). Cost: \$25. All proceeds to food pantry, Bethel District Exchange.

Friday, April 17

10:30 a.m. - **Oxford County Education Association-Retired** meeting at North Waterford Congregational Church. Scholarship fundraiser: cookie walk. If not on phone tree, call 743-7677 to reserve lunch.

Saturday, April 18

8 a.m. to 4 p.m. - **Roxbury ATV Riders Club** sponsoring ATV Safety Course at Roxbury Town Hall, 1095 Roxbury Road. Children 10 to under 16 must be accompanied by adult or guardian. Lunch provided. Course free. FMI or sign up: call 545-2715 or e-mail mworthley@roadrunner.com.

Sunday, April 19

1 p.m. - **Finnish-American Heritage Society of Maine**, 8 Maple Street, West Paris, monthly meeting with membership Potluck Dinner followed by business meeting and election of officers.

1:30 p.m. - **Woodstock Republican Committee** sponsors The Republican Project and Dean Scontras at Woodstock Fire Department Conference Room, Bryant Pond. FMI: call George Hooper at 665-2970 or e-mail hisani@roadrunner.com.

7 p.m. - **International Musical Arts Chamber Concert** at St. Kieran Community Arts Center, 255 Emery Street, Berlin, N.H. FMI: call (603) 752-1028 or info@stkieranarts.org or visit www.stkieranarts.org.

Monday, April 20

4 p.m. - **Andover Service Circle** hosting Seventh Annual Senior Appreciation Dinner at Andover Town Hall for residents 65 and the disabled. Guests encouraged to bring a companion. FMI or plans to attend: call Judy Michaud at 392-1221.

Tuesday, April 21

9:30 a.m. - to 2:30 p.m. - **AARP Driver Safety Course** for drivers 50 years and older at town offices, 366 Valley Road, Watford. Lunch available. Fee: \$14 (advance registration required). FMI or to register: call Mary Delorenzo (583-4490) or Tom Harvey (597-2331). Limited to 25 participants.

6 p.m. - **UM Cooperative Extension Workshop**. Vegetable specialist, Mark Hutton on Post-Harvest Handling for Best Produce Quality at Oxford County Cooperative Extension office, South Paris. Registration required by Friday, April 17. FMI: 743-6329 or (800) 287-1482. Also visit www.home.earthlink.net/~drivesafe-me.

Wednesday and Thursday, April 22 and 23

6 to 8 p.m. - **Auditions for "Oklahoma"** at Schoolhouse Arts Center, Sebago Lake. Performances will be July 9-26. FMI: call 642-3743 or visit www.schoolhousearts.org.

Thursday, April 23

5 to 6 p.m. - **Pleasant Valley Grange**, West Bethel, will present its Community Service Award to Nina Wheeler followed by a potluck supper and open Grange meeting.

6 p.m. - **Healthy Eating on a Budget** at The Sudbury Inn, Main Street, Bethel, sponsored by To Your Health Committee of Western Mountains Senior College, Bethel Family Health Center, SAD44/Community Education and Wayne DuPlessis, counselor. Cost: \$10. FMI: call R. Tiff (824-2053) or J. Whitman (624-0347).

Saturday, April 25

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. - **Yard Sale** by Rumford Grange 115 at Rumford Center Grange Hall. Donations of sale items needed; if you have items to donate call Vicki at 364-2129.

5 and 6 p.m. - **Annual Birthday Supper** at First Congregational Church, Andover (2 sittings). Cost: \$7 for adults and \$3 for children.

7 p.m. - **Chosen Generation** performance with the NCA Dance Team at Telstar High School Auditorium. This is a Christian Rap/R&B group in the southwestern Massachusetts area.

Saturday and Sunday, April 25 and 26

Wilderness First Aid course accredited with SOLO, PR also available. Cost: \$214, \$205 for registered Maine guides, \$180 commuter. FMI: Polly or Kevin at 824-2073 or info@Mahosuc.com. Location: Mahosuc Mountain Lodge (www.mahosuc-mountainlodge.com).

Support Services

ABUSED WOMEN'S ADVOCACY PROJECT

AWAP serves all of Oxford County and provides emergency shelter, court advocacy and support groups with child care. Rumford office 369-0750; Norway office 743-5086; 24 hour hotline 1-800-559-2927

AA MEETINGS

Bethel Freedom Group's Big Book Meeting Sundays at 6pm at the United Methodist Church, Main Street.

Bethel Freedom Group's 12 Step/Traditions Meeting, Tuesdays at 6pm at the United Methodist Church, Main Street.

Bethel Freedom Group's Open Discussion Meeting, Fridays at 6pm at Bethel United Methodist Church, Main Street; and Saturdays at 4pm at Sunday River South Ridge Base Lodge, third-floor human resources conference room.

ADDICTION HELP

Narconon, a nonprofit public benefit organization that specializes in helping people with drug or alcohol addictions offers FREE assessments and more than 11,000 local referrals through the 800 line. Drug addiction can be overcome and Narconon can help. Call (800) 556-8885 or visit www.drugrehab.net.

EXCHANGES

District Exchange Community Thrift Shop accepts donations of in-season clothing in clean, wearable condition only. Drop-off hours and shopping: Monday 1-4pm, Thursday 4-6pm and Saturday, 10am-12pm.

The Woodstock Seventh Day Adventist Church Community Service Center offers assistance to individuals or families with food needs in the South Woodstock, Bryant Pond, West Paris and Sumner areas are invited to call 674-2566, 674-2663, or 665-2226 to learn more details.

MENTAL ILLNESS SUPPORT GROUP

Beacon House Social Club, 150 Congress Street, Rumford, a drop-in social club for adults suffering with mental, emotional, or physical illness, provides support, relaxation, and socialization. Monday 1 to 5pm; Tuesday 9am-2pm; Wednesday 9am-8pm; Wednesday 3-8pm; Friday 2-7pm; Saturday 11am-4pm. Oxford County Mental Health Services, support for adults and children with mental illness, same location, second floor, open Monday-Friday 8am-4pm. For more information, call 364-3549 or (800) 335-9999, or in off-hours 928-3222.

POST PARTUM SUPPORT GROUP

"Meet the Midwives" meets from 5-6:30 every first Tuesday of the month, and the Post Partum Support Group meets every fourth Wednesday of the month from 6:30-7:30. The meetings take place at Blue Moon Midwives, 176 Main Street, Norway, directly across from Stephen's Memorial Hospital. For more information, call 207-739-2800 or visit www.bluemoonmidwives.com

REACH

Rape Education and Crisis Hotline 1-800-871-7741. Sexual assault/sexual abuse hotline, same number. Support groups and awareness education, past or present victims of abuse.

VETERANS' SERVICES (STATE/VA BENEFITS)

Maine Veterans Home, S. Paris, first Wednesday each month, 9-12 noon (743-6300); Career Center in Rumford (364-3718), second Thursday 9-12 noon; Lewiston (795-4590), 29 Westminster St., 7:30am to 4pm, Monday thru Friday. Location: Monday-Sunday School 2:45-4:15pm. Tel. 392-4841.

Library Hours

Andover Library: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Saturday 1-4:30 pm; Thursday 1-4:30 & 6-8 pm. Tel: 392-4841

Bethel Library: Monday 9-1; Tuesday 1-5; Wednesday 1-8; Thursday & Friday 1-5 Saturday, 9-1. Story Hour Mondays, 10-11 am October to May. Michelle Conroy, Librarian. 824-2520.

Hamilin Memorial Library, Paris Hill: Tuesday-Friday 11:30-5:30 Saturday 10-2; Wednesday evening, 7-9 pm. Tel. 743-2980

Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond: Tel. 665-2505. Tuesday 1:30-5; Thursday 1:30-7.

West Paris Library, West Paris: Monday 1:30-6; Wednesday 1:30-7; Friday 1:30-6; Saturday 10-2. Patty Makley, Librarian. 674-2004

Gardner Roberts Memorial Library, Hanover: Wednesday, 9-3.

Upton Library: Wednesday, 2-6, Children's Hour 1-2; Saturday 2-4.

Church Services

ALBANY

Congregational Church - Hunts Corner, 9:30 a.m. Sunday worship and Sunday School at 9am; Pastor Eddie Gammon. Bible Study 6:30 Thursdays at the home of Fernand Corriveau.

ANDOVER

First Congregational Church Rev. Jane Rich. Sunday morning worship 10 to 11 a.m. followed by brunch. All are welcome. FMI-392-3761.

Calvary Bible Church - Pastor Ken Wagstaff. Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship Service 10:45 a.m. Wednesday prayer meeting 6:30 p.m. Rt. 5 S. Andover 362-1121

BETHEL

Bethel Alliance Church - Rev. Kevin Bellinger, Pastor. Jim Rose, Youth Pastor. Sundays: Sunday school for adults and children at 9 a.m.; Worship Service at 10 a.m. Kidz Klub 4 yrs. 5th grade) and High School Youth Group (6th-12th grades) at 5:30 p.m. Thursdays: Middle School Youth Group (6th-8th grades) at 5 p.m. For more information, call 821-2254.

Church of the Nazarene - Pastor Chuck Mason, 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 9:30 a.m. morning worship Wednesday evening service in different locations. Call for info: 821-0028 (voice mail) or 821-7249 FMI

West Parish Congregational - Rev. Vernon in Rickenham. 10 a.m. worship, child care available. Prayer, Tuesday, 8 a.m. FMI 824-0450

Our Lady of the Snows - Sunday mass at 6 p.m. Rev. Angelo Levasseur 641-1770. United Methodist - Geoffrey Gross, Pastor. 10:30 a.m. Sunday worship. Sunday School. 9:30 a.m.

West Bethel Union - Morning worship and 9 a.m. Sunday School. For information, call 836-5333 or 836-2632. Rev. John Williams.

Pleasant Valley Bible - Pastor Aaron McNally. Sunday Services: Sunday School, 9am. Worship Service, 10am. Ladies Bible study, Tuesday, 2:30pm. Prayer meeting, Tuesday 6pm. Awana clubs follow school-year calendar. FMI 836-3008 or 821-2037.

Episcopal House Church - Holy communion service the third or fourth Sunday of every month at 4 p.m. at 30 Chapman Street. For further information, call the Reverend Gwyneth Bohr at 821-2913.

Church of Christ - at home of Keith Hamel, minister, 507 Walker's Mills Road (Route 26), Bethel. Worship at 9 a.m. Sunday. 821-3577 FMI.

Seventh Day Adventist Fellowship: Meets at the Nazarene Church on Saturdays, on Church Street in Bethel. For more info, call 821-8839.

EAST STONEHAM

Oxford County United Parish Churches in Stoneham and North Waterford - Services at 10 a.m. at the North Waterford Congregational Church (UCC), located on the Five Kezars Road, off Routes 35 & 37, opposite Melby's Market. Services held at North Waterford through the winter months. Choir practice 9am, followed by Bible Study at 9:15am

GORHAM, NH

Assembly of God - Pastor Paul LeVigen. Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday service

Items for the Community Calendar may be brought to The Bethel Citizen Office, mailed in or phoned in at 824-2444. The Deadline is Monday at Noon.

10:30 a.m., Sunday evening service 7 p.m. Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m. FMI 663-5682831

Gorham Congregational Church - Interim minister Rev. Kent Schneider. Sunday morning worship and church school at 10:30am. Communion is celebrated the first Sunday of each month. FMI 663-5682136

HARRISON

Bolster's Mills United Methodist Church - Bolster's Mills Road, Harrison. Rev. Walter R. Brown, Pastor. Sunday worship at 8:45 a.m. Church school 10:15 a.m. for kids kindergarten - grade 12. Call 583-9421 or 966-7619 for more info.

LOCKE MILLS

Locke Mills Union - Pastor Sondra Withey. Sunday morning service will begin at 9 a.m. Bible study at the church is every Tuesday at 6:30 pm. Everyone is welcome.

MEXICO

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints-265 Main Street. Worship service Sundays at 10am. Pres. Peter Beckel. 364-3281

NEWRY

Sunday River Christian Ministry with Rev. Don Coverdale and gospel singer Cynthia Clark. On mountain interdenominational worship service held every Sunday during the season. ALERT: we are now located in the Junior Room, Jordan Grand Hotel. New time: 10:00am-11:00am. Ski in, or take the resort shuttle from South Ridge to Jordan. For more information 824-5896 (recording).

NORWAY/PARIS

First Church of Christ, Scientist - Sunday service 10 a.m., Wed. Testimony service 7:30 p.m. 5 Morrill Rd Rt. 118 (corner corner to Norway Country Club), Norway. Call 821-4099 FMI or ride.

Trinity Lutheran Church - Route 117, S. Paris. Pastors Kim Marie and Tom Myhre. Sunday School at 9am. Sunday morning service 10:15 a.m. with coffee, refreshments and good fellowship Bible Study. Wednesdays 7 p.m.

North Paris Federation - Morse Hill Road, North Paris. Sunday Service 8 a.m. Pastor Bruce Tyner. 674-2468. Singers perform third Sunday each month alternating with West Paris Baptist Church at 7 p.m.

Oxford Hills Friends (Quakers) - Sunday worship 9:30 a.m. at HOPE Ripley Center, High Street, S. Paris across the park from the Post Office. Call Ursula Brandon at 665-2880 or Sue Reilly at 966-2012 for more information.

Christ Episcopal Church, 35 Paris St. Sunday Services 9 a.m., June-Aug. Sunday School at 10 a.m. Informal worship at 5 p.m. Sundays. Healing service with communion 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday. Rev. Anne Stanley. Call 743-6782 for more information.

First Baptist Church of Paris - On the Common at the top of Paris Hill. 10:30 a.m. worship service Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. Coffee hour follows the service. Fellowship lunch held the first Sunday of each month following worship. Pastor Ron Blake.

St. Catherine's - Saturday 6 p.m. Vigile Mass. Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass. Unitarian Universalist Church of Norway - 11am worship (Sept - June). Child care is provided. Religious education classes 11am to 12:15pm. FMI 743-2628

OXFORD

St. Mary's - Saturday 4 p.m. Vigile Mass. Our Lady of Ransom: Sunday 10:30 a.m. Mass.

RUMFORD

St. Barnabas Episcopal Church - Holy Communion, 9:30 a.m. Rev. Tim Parsons. Priest in charge. Special holidays will be announced. Stone church at the rotary.

RUMFORD CENTER

Praise Assembly of God - Pastor Justin Thawer. Adult and teen Sunday school 9am. Sunday worship service at 10am. Sunday school meetings at 6pm. Wednesday night prayer study and youth group 7pm. 170 Andover Road. FMI call 364-3659 or see our website at www.praisefirst.org/okd.net

RUMFORD POINT

Rumford Point Church - Sunday service. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Song of Songs.

SUMNER

East Sumner Congregational Lutheran - Kimball, pastor. Sunday service 9 a.m.

WEST PARIS

Unitarian Universalist Church of West Paris - 9 a.m. worship. Rev. Richard Best 674-2171.

West Paris Baptist - Sunday Worship 9:15 a.m. Brian Taylor, Pastor. Sunday School Pre-school thru kindergarten 9:45am. Sunday School Grades 1 to 16 10am. Sunday evening worship 7:30 p.m. Monday Diaconate meeting first Monday of the month.

Tuesday ladies fellowship meets the fourth Tuesday of every month. Tea & Toys Time: Bi-weekly 9:30-11:30am. Adult Choir Wednesday evenings. Wednesday Bible Study and Prayer 7pm. church business meetings the third Wednesday of the month.

West Paris Congregational Church - Linda Kimball, pastor. Sunday Worship 11 a.m. Sunday School 10 a.m.

WOODSTOCK

Bryant Pond Baptist - Pastor Larry Hodgkins. Sundays: Sunday School 9:15 a.m. Morning Worship 10:30 a.m. Evening Service 6:00 p.m. Wednesdays Prayer & bible study 8:30 p.m. Fridays Youth group 7:15th grade, 8:30pm.

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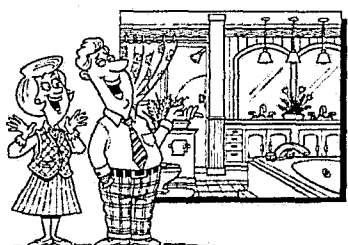


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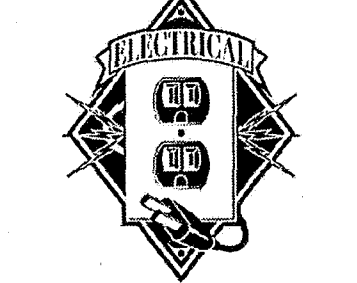
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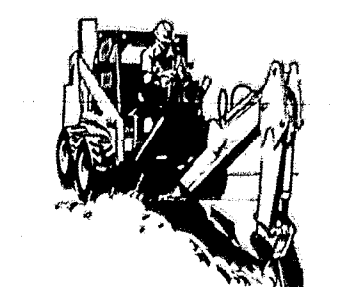
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Area Easter Services

Bethel

West Parish Congregational Church

April 9: Communion service celebrating Jesus' Last Supper, 7:30 p.m. in the Chapel at the West Parish Congregational Church.

April 10: Good Friday service based on the Stations of the Cross, 7 p.m. at the Bethel United Methodist Church.

April 12: Easter sunrise service on Paradise Hill next to the Chadbourne family cemetery, 5:55 a.m. Breakfast afterward at the West Parish Congregational Church. Easter Service, 10 a.m. Easter service with bells, timpani, organ and the Hallelujah Chorus. Everyone, of whatever denominational background, is welcome to attend these services of worship.

United Methodist Church

April 9: Maundy Thursday Service, 7 p.m.

April 10: Good Friday Ecumenical Service, 7 p.m.

April 12: Easter Sunday Service, 10:30 a.m.

Bethel Alliance Church

April 10: Good Friday Service in conjunction with the Bethel Church of the Nazarene, 7 p.m. at the Bethel Alliance Church, 251 Walker's Mills Road.

April 12: Easter Sunrise Service, 6 a.m., at 78 Highland Avenue. (Call the church at 824-2289 for details and directions). Easter Breakfast and Egg Hunt, 8 a.m., at the church. Easter Worship Service, 10 a.m.

West Bethel Union Church

April 9: Maundy Thursday Service, 7 p.m.

April 12: Easter Sunday Service, 9 a.m.

Bethel Church of the Nazarene

April 12: Easter Sunrise Service at church lot on Route 26, 7 a.m.; breakfast immediately following at the church. Sunday school, 9:30 a.m.; Easter Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.

Newry

April 12: Interdenominational Service, 6:30 a.m. at Sunday River Ski Resort. New location this year. South Ridge area; take the free chondola to the North Peak Lodge deck; one-hour service starts between 7 and 7:15 a.m. All ages welcome. Donations collected for local food pantry. Ski down intermediate slope or ride down enclosed gondola or on chairlift back to the South Ridge area where Easter activities continue. Call 824-3000 (resort) or 824-5896 (recording) or check SR website: www.sundayriver.com (events and activities). Sponsored by Sunday River Christian Ministry.

Woodstock

Bryant Pond Baptist Church

April 12: Sunrise Service, 7 a.m.; Easter Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.; Evening Service, 6 p.m.

Andover

First Congregational Church UCC

April 9: Maundy Thursday Last Supper Observance at 5:30 p.m.; a light meal of bread, cheese and fruit will be served with a communion service and washing ceremony followed by the Garden Meditation in the sanctuary.

April 10: Good Friday Service 7 p.m.; Stations of the Cross. **April 12:** Sunrise Service, 6:30 a.m.; Easter Breakfast, 7 a.m.; Easter Celebration Service with special music and the Scriptural Players, 10 a.m.

Gould Sports

Boys' Varsity Lacrosse

Gould 14, Winchendon 8; April 5—Gould took an early five-point lead in the second quarter which it maintained until the fourth quarter when the Green Wave fought back to within three goals. With three late goals by Zach Robinson, Max Littlefield and Joe Johnson, the Huskies walked away with a 14-8 victory. Max Littlefield again led the way for Gould with 5 goals and 2 assists, followed by Zach Robinson (4 goals, 1 assist), Joe Johnson (2 goals, 4 assists), Lance Robinson (1 goal, 5 assists), Morgan Foote '09 (1 goal), and Max Wales (1 goal). The game against Winchendon presented a strong challenge for our relatively young defense which was anchored by Scot Baribeau '09 with assistance from Devon Brown '10, Taylor Peck-Moad '11, and Austin Jodrey '11. Goaltender Kyle McGregor '10 recorded 12 saves. Much of the game was controlled by strong face-off play by Joe Johnson, Zach Robinson, and Eddie Mele who collectively won 16 out of 23 contests.

Gould 20, Wayneville 4; April 4—Max Littlefield '09 led the way with 8 goals. Zach Robinson '09 netted 5 goals and an assist while Lance Robinson added 3 goals and 5 assists. Other point scorers included Max Wales '11 (2 goals, 3 assists), Eddie Mele '10 (1 goal), and Joe Johnson '09 (3 assists).

Gould 11, Berwick 9; April 1—After coming up short against Berwick in the last two meetings, Gould demonstrated how far the lacrosse program has come with the 11-9 victory. After Gould took an early lead, Berwick battled back twice and tied the game up at 9 with five minutes left in the fourth quarter. Gould rallied and put in two quick goals and never looked back. Gould's offense was led by attackmen Lance Robinson '09 with five goals and midfielder Zach Robinson '09 with four goals. Other scorers included Max Littlefield '09 and Morgan Foote '09, each with one goal. The game ball was awarded to goaltender Kyle McGregor '10 who earned 20 saves on the day. — from Gould sports reports

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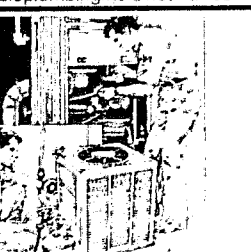
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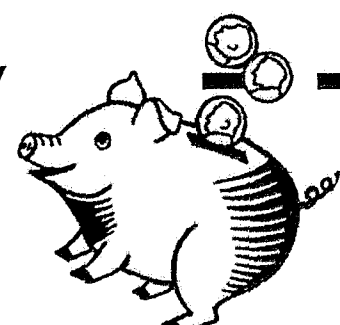
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RE/MAX In The Mountains Team to Join Sunday River Realty

Three of Bethel's most well-known faces are soon to become three of Sunday River's. Julia Young, Margie Finley, and Cheri Thurston – some of the area's prominent REALTORS are joining the Sunday River Real Estate team as of April 14, 2009.

Known for their work done with RE/MAX In The Mountains, Young, Thurston and Finley are moving their experience to Sunday River's Real Estate office and will join the current team to help drive the resort's continuing sales success.

"Part of Sunday River's vision under Boyne is to work with businesses and individuals in the area that are aligned with Sunday River's vision," said Dana Bullen, general manager for Sunday River. "Julia, Cheri and Margie have a successful and positive presence in the community, as well as a number of very strong relationships that will no doubt build on our success."

After being purchased by Boyne in July of 2007, a long-term vision was created for Sunday River. Within this vision, heavy emphasis is placed on enhancing overall guest experience. As such, Boyne has already invested over \$14 million at Sunday River with future plans for development placed on Sunday River's Real Estate division.

In December of 2008, Sunday River's current real estate sales team, consisting of Callie Pecunies, Susan DuPlessis and Greg Graves, moved forward with this vision and celebrated closing sales that were double what any Sunday River real estate team had seen in at least a decade. Sunday River's success, combined with Young, Thurston and Finley's 45 years of experience places Sunday River at a competitive advantage.

"We have thoroughly enjoyed owning a thriving business," said Young. "Watching the Sunday River Real Estate sales team more than double their sales last year was exciting. Our experience combined with Sunday River's is a win-win for the entire area."

Coming out of one of Sunday River's most successful sales years during one of the nation's most talked about economic downturns, the team is even more focused on the future.

"We have incredible momentum given what we have already accomplished," said Graves. "Despite what we're seeing with the economy, the Western mountains of Maine are still positioned favorably."

Director of Development for Sunday River, Mark Hall further adds, "What continues to help Sunday River succeed is the perception of value to the guest. People expect more out of their second home regardless of which season they choose to spend the most time and Sunday River's new vision clearly outlines that this is only the start. Sunday River is without a doubt an exciting place to be right now."

In talking about moving forward as a new team, Bullen said, "The Sunday River Real Estate team has always had a great working relationship with the Bethel area. We're excited that the addition of three more agents further strengthens those relationships with the community, speaks to our commitment to the Bethel area and provides us with a competitive advantage in the real estate market."

Young, Thurston and Finley start with the Sunday River Real Estate team on Tuesday, April 14, working out of the Sunday Real Estate offices in South Ridge Lodge.

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Still, it is possible to get a dream deal on a distressed

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There are many ways to find a home inspector, including consulting family, friends, your attorney, real estate professional or mortgage professional. You can also find information on inspectors across the country on www.ashi.org, the Web site of The American Society of Home Inspectors, the organization that sets the standards of practice for the inspection industry. Homebuyers aren't the only

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If you're thinking of hiring a home inspector, ASHI offers a few tips on how to evaluate candidates:

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- * Talk with each candidate to see who is the best fit for your needs and comfort, as well as for the property being inspected.

- * Check all references. Don't automatically go with the lowest price. Remember, the old adage is often true -- you get what you pay for.

- * Attend the inspection to ensure you get the best value -- and most information -- for your investment.

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artists and craftsmen. The office space is an artisan gallery. Stop by and see the current exhibit. Perejda has been an industry leader for over 11 years. She began her real estate career with Hunneman Coldwell Banker and was a consistent Gold Circle producer in Cohasset, Mass. Her love for skiing and her commitment to her alpine ski-racing son, Matthew, led to a focus and devotion to resort real estate and the mountain living lifestyle. Perejda lived and worked in North Conway, N.H. for 8 years, as a sales agent for Badger Realty, then as an independent contractor for RE/MAX Presidential. Most recently, she was a broker for Sunday River Ski Resort. Perejda volunteers for the Bethel Chamber of Commerce, she holds a board position with Gould Academy Parents, and also volunteers for the Bethel Trails.

Paris Cape Realty Adds Two Realtors to Staff

Helga Thurston, owner and Designated Broker of Paris Cape Realty is pleased to announce that two well-known local realtors have recently joined the agency: Janet Truman, a fifth-generation native of Waterford and former owner of Truman Properties, has been active in the real estate field since 1985. She is a Past President of the Western Maine Board of Realtors, a Charter Member and Past State President of the Maine Real Estate Information System (MREIS Multiple Listing Service), and holds the GRI Designation just to mention a few of her outstanding credentials.

Terry Keiser, a local resident since 1975, entered the real estate profession in 2003. Her love for Maine's quality of life, its mountains, lakes and endless natural beauty, is evident in the enthusiasm and dedication she brings to all her buyers



From Left: Terry Keiser (Associate Broker), Janet Truman (GRI, Broker), Holly Brown (Broker)

and sellers. Terry is a member of the Western Maine Association of Realtors, as well as the National Association of Realtors.

Holly Brown, associated with Paris Cape Realty since its inception in 2005 and an Associate Broker since 2007, successfully completed the required course work and exam to obtain a Broker's Real Estate License. Although passionate about

older homes, Holly enjoys assisting buyers and sellers with a wide variety of real estate transactions. She is a member of the Western Maine Association of Realtors, the National Association of Realtors, as well as a Notary Public.

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TAYLOR WOODS - BETHEL
\$39,900 - \$79,500

SWAN HILL AT INTERVALLE - BETHEL
\$72,900 - \$89,900

RIVER GLEN, INTERVALLE ROAD - BETHEL
\$34,900 - \$84,900

MEADOW VIEW ESTATES - NEWRY
\$49,900 - \$79,900

ELLINGWOOD MTN. NORTH ROAD - BETHEL
\$72,000 - \$90,000

HANOVER PINES - HANOVER
\$39,900 - \$39,900

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\$199,000 - \$279,900

POWDER RIDGE - NEWRY
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\$28,000 - \$39,000

QUEEN'S LANDING - MASON TOWNSHIP
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Land / Building Lots

Bethel/Songos Pond Road/Rt. 575 acres.....\$850,000

Rt. 102 2 acres wide rights for condos.....\$550,000

Bethel/Intervalle Road: 20.6 acres.....\$200,000

Newry: 15.8 acres, Sunny Hills.....\$185,000

Norway: Lake & Mtn. Views, 14 acres.....\$139,000

Douglas Road, Resort Views, 1.35 acres.....\$134,000

Mountain Valley Sub., 1.47 acres.....\$129,000

Webb River Waterfront Lot, 8.9 acres.....\$129,000

Newry: Bear River Rd. views, 32 acres.....\$129,000

Newry: Red House Village, 25 acres.....\$110,000

Albany: 42.95 acres.....\$100,000

Norway: Fantastic Views, 6 acres.....\$89,000

Will View Subdivision: 1.8 acres.....\$84,500

Bethel: Paradise, 1.5 acres.....\$80,000

Taylor Woods Riverfront Lot, 1.7 acres.....\$79,500

Newry: Mtn. View Road, 7.9 acres.....\$62,500

Near North Pond: .93 acre lot.....\$59,000

Bird Hill Road Lot: 2.94 acres.....\$57,000

Bird Hill Road Lot: 12 acres.....\$50,000

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Woodstock/Rt. 28, wooded/level, 1.5 acres.....\$45,000

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Albany: 3 acres, close to Bethel.....\$40,000

Woodstock: Great Mtn Views, 7.5 acres.....\$32,500

Bethel: Navel Road Lots, 1 acre & .33 acre.....\$30,000

Woodstock: Rocky Road, .96 acre lot.....\$30,000

West Paris: Hidden Acres, 2 acre lot.....\$24,900

Condominiums

LOCKE MOUNTAIN 04 4bed/4bath, slope.....\$620,000

LOCKE MOUNTAIN M4 4bed/4bath, slope.....\$599,900

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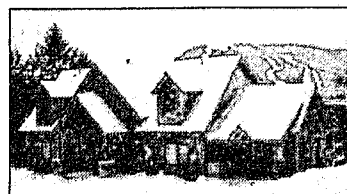
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81 Appalachian Drive, The Peaks: Stunning, mountain home, beautifully appointed with furnishings included! Panoramic views and desirable amenities including hot tub, game room, master suite with fireplace and jacuzzi, tub overlooking the view. 5 bedrooms 3 baths. \$925,000



42 Goose Eye Drive, Newry: Spacious home with stunning views overlooking the golf course at the Sunday River Golf Club. 3-bay heated garage, separate guest quarters, large master suite, custom cabinetry, lovely sunroom. Lifetime family membership to the golf club. \$739,000



9 Vista Road, Newry: Fabulous building package highly regarded local builder. 5-BR/3.5-bath, open floor plan, vaulted ceilings. Great views of Sunday River. Close to hiking, golf, and snowmobile trails. The Peaks Subdivision. (Representative Photo) \$599,000



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Obituaries



DONALD E. MOTT
Donald Edward Mott, age 74, died Monday, March 9, 2009 at the Laurels of Forest Glenn, in Garner, N.C.
He was born in Brooklyn, N.Y., on Jan. 16, 1935 and was the oldest son of William and Carolyn Mott. His younger brother, Kenneth, died in 1972 at the age of 34. Don graduated in 1952 from South Side High School in Rockville Centre, N.Y., and attended the University of Maine with the intention of studying Forestry. While there he changed his major and graduated in 1956 with a degree in Business. He excelled at, and played tennis in high school, college, and the US Army. He continued to play competitively after moving to North Carolina in 1973.
Upon graduating from college, he served as 2nd Lt. in the US Army at Fort Sill, Okla., and Fort Carson, Colo. After serving two years he took a job with Sealtest Foods in 1958. He worked for Sealtest Foods as Personnel Director in the Philadelphia area until 1972. He was hired by Liggett & Myers in 1972 as Director of Human Resources, and was transferred to Durham, N.C., in 1973. He retired from Liggett & Myers as Senior Vice President in 1991. He then took a job with Coastal Health Care as Director of Human Resources and retired, again, in 1994.
Don volunteered with the Wake County Literacy Council and served as a tutor, board member and president of the Council for several years. He was presented with the first "Donald E. Mott Award" in 2003, which he was extremely proud of. Music was always a big part of his life and he enjoyed singing in church and school choirs, Barbershop S.P.E.B.S.Q.S.A. Organization and eventually as a member of an a cappella

men's gospel group called the Masters' Men.
Don and Jan both shared their love of singing and dancing. He also played the trumpet, French horn and tuba. Don considered himself an avid "average" golfer and would play only on days ending in "y"! He could easily identify any bird call for his foursome — a love for nature that he shared with his mother.
While attending the University he met his true love and best friend, Jan. Don also became enamored with the state of Maine, calling it his second home. He and Jan continued to travel there each year, visiting friends and enjoying the sights. His wishes were to be buried in Maine.
He is survived by his mother, Carolyn, age 101 and a resident of Springmoor Retirement Center in Raleigh; his wife of nearly 52 years, Janice Lord Mott; daughters Cathy Roth and Jennifer Weaver and husband Randy; son Roger Thomas Mott; grandchildren Kellie and Wesley Vinal; Jessica Daniels; Bryson, Chase and Savannah Weaver; sister-in-law Suzanne Mott Rudiselle and husband Maurice; niece Leslie Mott and nephew Douglas Mott.
The family wishes to extend deep appreciation to the caretakers at Wake Med Rehab and the caring staff at the Laurels of Forest Glenn. Thanks also to the many friends who were supportive through their visits, cards, e-mails, phone calls, and the special prayers from so many. The family requests no flowers; however, donations may be made to the CJD Foundation at PO Box 5312, Akron OH 44334 or on the Web at www.cjdfoundation.org. A memorial service was held on Sunday, March 22 at 1:30 p.m. at First United Methodist Church, Academy Street, Cary, N.C. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.brownwynne.com.

ELDEN C. BENNETT
Elden Clayton Bennett, 80, of Newry, died March 30, 2009 in Norway.
He was born in Newry on Nov. 6, 1928 the son of Roy and Janet (Enman) Bennett and was educated in local schools. He joined the U.S. Navy in February 1950 serving during the Korean War being discharged on Dec. 10, 1953. He married the former Sharon Gallant on Dec. 13, 1953 and they had two children, Gordon Bennett of Athens, N.Y., and Kitty Leets of Milton, N.H.
Elden had worked as a civil engineer most of his working

career with the U.S. Air Force at Plattsburg, N.Y., retiring in 1988. Elden was very proud of his Navy days and service to America was very important to him.
He was an avid hunter in his younger days, hunting white-tail deer and grouse. In his later years he did more bird watching. Elden was known around town as a gentle man.
Besides his children, he is survived by one brother, Donald Bennett of Bethel; one sister, Amy Jones of Berlin, N.H., and three grandchildren, Jason Leets, Amanda Leets and John Leets.
Graveside services will be held at the Head of Tides Cemetery in Newry on May 16 at 3 p.m.
Memorials in Elden's memory are suggested to the Bethel Historical Society, P.O. Box 12, Bethel, ME 04217-0012. Online condolences may be left for the family at www.andrewsgreenleaf.com.



ELMER H. LYONS, JR.
Elmer Herbert Lyons, Jr., 78, of Hanover, Maine passed away on April Fool's Day, 2009. He had been a resident at the Ledgewick Living Center in West Paris, Maine since January 2008.
Elmer was born May 14, 1930, in Rumford, Maine and was the son of Elmer "Chub" and Avis (Longley) Lyons. He attended Rumford schools beginning with Chisholm School during his elementary years and graduating from Stephens High School in 1948. After working a few years as a carpenter in the Rumford area, Elmer attended Gorham State Teachers College where, in 1954, he earned his B.S. in Industrial Arts Education. Elmer went on to earn his Master's Degree in 1963 from the University of Maine plus he earned 30 credits toward his Doctorate.
During his freshman year at G.S.T.C., he met his future

wife, Nancy E. Pillsbury, and they married on Aug. 22, 1954 in Springvale, Maine. Elmer backed into his future father-in-law's car that day, which made for some wonderful storytelling and teasing! Ironically, he became a driver ed instructor for adult education in the 1960s in the Westbrook-Portland area.
Elmer taught industrial arts and drafting for 36 years. He began his teaching in Auburn, Maine at Webster Jr. High School in 1954. In 1956 he began teaching IA at Deer- ing High School in Portland, Maine and continued until 1970 when he returned to his hometown to accept a teaching position at Rumford High/ Mountain Valley High School. From 1970-1990 he taught Architectural Engineering and Industrial Design, better known as drafting, to his Rumford Area students. Helping his students go on to college or vocational school was very important to him. He put many extra, "above and beyond" hours into making sure his students had the opportunity to achieve their goals.
While teaching at Deering High School, Elmer became president of the Portland Teachers Association and guided the association members into signing the first ever contract to be had in the Portland School District.
As anyone who knew Elmer could tell you, he enjoyed talking with people and telling stories, he could talk anyone "under the table!"
He also enjoyed learning about history: the history of wars, his family history and especially Maine and Rumford history. He looked forward to summer Sunday afternoons when friends would stop by the antiques shop to cool off, enjoy a piece of pie and reminisce. There were also those special visits of the past when Stuart Martin, John Martin and Allen Fraser would stop in and sit awhile. They were

all local historians and story after story would be shared about Maine's past: from the building of the Oxford Paper Company and the town of Rumford, to logging with Lombard tractors and teams of horses, to river drives down the Androscoggin, to rum running through the area. In Elmer's opinion, talking with friends and learning about history was the best combination.
Elmer's love of antiques and tools blossomed into his favorite pastime and family business, the Lyons' Den Antiques. The antiques shop first opened in 1964 in Bryant Pond, Maine in a small building that formerly was an animal zoo owned by Gil Whitman. As the business grew, Elmer moved the family and business to Hanover, Maine in 1971, where the family continues to open the barn doors to customers. Though he enjoyed all antiques, his passion was for antique tools. He worked diligently to keep the antiques shop well stocked, after all, his motto was, "If one is good, more is better!"
When Elmer was on summer vacation from teaching, he was seldom idle. Not only did the antiques shop keep the family busy, so did the auctions. Elmer was a Maine country auctioneer. Between 1969 and 1996, Elmer and his family ran 38 auctions for families in and around the River Valley Area. Those who attended his auctions over the years, enjoyed Elmer's auction style of honesty, good-natured teasing and entertainment mixed in with some good deals. "Going once, going twice... you're standing in your own light... SOLD!"
After retiring from the teaching profession, Elmer and Nancy began traveling to North Carolina to sell antiques. Each spring and fall, for ten years, they packed the truck and

traveled to Charlotte, N.C., to set up a booth at a large outdoor antiques show. Nancy tended the booth while Elmer enjoyed shopping and buying from the many, many dealers.... it amazed the family that they, sometimes, arrived home with more items than they took. Elmer loved shopping for antiques, it was almost as much fun as talking!
Elmer was a member of the Kappa Delta Phi fraternity; Epsilon Pi Tau; he was elected mayor of Gorham State Teachers College during 1951-1952, where he presided over all the social activities at the college; he was a life member of both the Rumford and Bethel Historical Societies and a member of the following education associations: MEA, NEA, MARI and ITEA.
Elmer is survived by Nancy, his wife of 54 years, of Hanover, Maine; three children, Elmer H. Lyons III and wife Debbie, of Chelmsford, Mass., Nancy Lynn Lyons of Hanover and Jay A. Lyons of Maryland Heights, Mo.; two grandchildren, Hunter Thomas and Emily Ann Lyons of Chelmsford, Mass.; one brother, Clifton A. Lyons, Sr. and his wife Pauline of Atkinson, N.H.
Nancy, along with the rest of Elmer's family, would like to extend their sincere thanks to the staff at Ledgewick Living Center, you know who you are, for their caring and compassion over these past fourteen months.
With respect to Elmer's wishes, there will be no visitation or funeral service.
To leave a note for the family or a happy/funny memory of Elmer (and there were many!), please visit oxfordhillsfuneralservices.com or you can stop in at the Lyons' Den for a visit. The shop will be open most days once the weather warms up, it's what Elmer would want.

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You at this time of the year, can have, "New Life" in Christ, by placing your faith and trust in Jesus Christ as your personal Saviour, from your sin.
He did not have to die, but willingly took our sins upon Himself on that cross. He took our punishment and is now ALIVE at the right hand of God, interceding for us. That is the true meaning of Easter. That gives us HOPE!
For further spiritual assistance please e-mail, John Holliday at holliday@megalink.net.

Joshus Campbell and Brooke Grover
Would like to invite their family and friends to join them in celebrating their wedding reception on Saturday, April 18th at 3:00 PM at the Bryant Pond Universalist Church on Grove Street.

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